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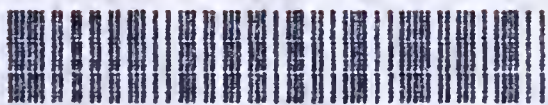
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M. E. Grand High Priest  
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PROCEEDINGS  
OF  
THE GRAND  
**HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER**  
OF PENNSYLVANIA

AND  
MASONIC JURISDICTION THEREUNTO BELONGING


FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 27, 1922,  
BEING ITS ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH YEAR

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THE GRAND.

# HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

1795-1922

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## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT  
MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,  
MARCH 2, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	. . .	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
" JOHN M. CORE,	. . .	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
" GEORGE P. DARROW,	. . .	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
" THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR.,	. . .	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
" WARREN T. WALKER,	. . .	<i>Acting Grand Secretary.</i>
" REV. JOHN G. WILSON,	. . .	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	. . .	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
" S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	. . .	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
" P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	. . .	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
" ROBERT A. WALKER,	. . .	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
" FRANCIS L. BORIE,	. . .	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
" RALPH C. MINEHART,	. . .	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
" WILLIAM B. KROPP,	. . .	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
" AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	. . .	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
" GEORGE B. HANNUM,	. . .	<i>Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	. . .	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
" CHARLES S. WOOD,	. . .	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
" WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	. . .	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions ALBERT S. HOULDS-  
WORTH, ROBERT G. SMITH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, WESLEY R. MORGAN,  
MILTON E. GINGRICH, CHARLES R. ROBERTS, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES  
H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, WILLIAM F. SHAY, ROY C. STORMER, JAMES  
H. REEDER, THOMAS N. MCKEE, GEORGE W. RODGERS, EDMUND W. BOOTS,  
JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, HUGH M. MARQUIS.



*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.

*Grand Representatives.*

- Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS, of Grand Chapter of Alabama.  
 “ WILLIAM MCCOMBS, of Grand Chapter of Arkansas.  
 “ ROBERT E. UMBEL, of Grand Chapter of British Columbia.  
 “ ANDREW H. HERSHEY, of Grand Chapter of California.  
 “ SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.  
 “ WESLEY R. MORGAN, of Grand Chapter of Delaware.  
 “ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.  
 “ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.  
 “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.  
 “ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.  
 “ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.  
 “ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.  
 “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.  
 “ THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.  
 “ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.  
 “ JAMES H. REEDER, of Grand Chapter of Rhode Island.  
 “ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.  
 “ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.  
 “ WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Companions of Chapters Nos. 3, 21, 43, 52, 91, 152, 162, 165, 166, 171, 174, 175, 177, 179, 183, 185, 189, 192, 196, 197, 198, 199, 201, 202, 208, 209, 216, 219, 220, 222, 226, 230, 232, 233, 234, 237, 240, 243, 245, 246, 248, 250, 251, 256, 258, 262, 266, 271, 274, 284, 301, 307. (52 Chapters.) (122 members.) (27 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest referred to the absence of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary, Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, Past Grand High Priest, whom he stated was in Europe to meet his daughter on her way home from China, and directed the Acting Grand Secretary to send by cable to Companion WELLS the felicitations of Grand Chapter and best wishes for an enjoyable trip and a safe return.



The Most Excellent Grand High Priest appointed Assistant Grand Secretary, Companion WARREN T. WALKER, Acting Grand Secretary..

The minutes of the Annual Grand Communication, held on Friday, December 27, 1921, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed amendments to By-laws of Chapters Nos. 43, 171, 183, 240, 251, 256, 270, 277 and 288 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes:

#### QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, February 24, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary from November 17, 1921, to February 18, 1922, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

#### RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$27,742 95
“ Certificates .....	4 00
“ Constitutions .....	1 00
“ Dispensations .....	1 00
“ Interest on Investments .....	809 75
“ Sale of Ledger Sheets .....	2 00
Total .....	\$28,560 70
To which add Balance November 17, 1921 ....	6,739 19
	<hr/> \$35,299 89



DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$150 00
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	437 55
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	2,491 73
“ Instruction in Work .....	88 69
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	256 66
“ Salaries .....	1,325 00
“ Telephones .....	48 83
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.’s and other Grand Officers	904 08
“ Salary of Organist .....	70 00
“ Bond of Grand Treasurer .....	12 50
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Total .....	\$6,785 04
To which add Balance February 18, 1922 ....	28,514 85
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	\$35,299 89

Fraternally submitted,  
A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
W. M. DONALDSON,  
E. MARSHALL HARVEY,  
McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,  
Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee on Finance, Companion A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Past Grand High Priest, offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, that an appropriation of a sum not to exceed \$500.00 be made for the purpose of defraying the expense of compiling the Decisions in this Grand Chapter from 1795 to date.

Companion DAVID J. DAVIS, Past Grand High Priest, offered the following Resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, that the Most Excellent Grand High Priest be authorized to appoint a competent Companion to collect and make a copy of all decisions and resolutions affecting the general law of Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction from 1795 to the present time.



The Committee on By-laws presented the following report, which was received, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed Amendments to the By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Chapters Nos. 43, 171, 183, 251, 252, 256, 270, 277 and 288 be approved.

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Chapter No. 240 be not approved.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIAM R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL,  
*Committee.*

The Committee on Printing and Publishing presented the following report:

PHILADELPHIA, PENNA., March 2, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

MOST EXCELLENT SIR AND COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on Printing and Publishing begs leave to report that bids were asked from several reputable firms for printing and publishing the Proceedings of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter for the year 1921, and the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, the International Printing Company.

The work is now being printed in accordance with the terms of the contract, and will be distributed in the course of a week or ten days.

Fraternally submitted,

LOUIS M. WAGNER,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
FRANK E. TOWNSEND,  
MURRAY GORGAS,  
ROBERT W. VOGT,  
*Committee.*



The Most Excellent Grand Secretary reported that all General Returns from Chapters and Mark Lodges had been received, and presented the following Annual Report of Work and Membership of the Chapters and Mark Lodges of the Jurisdiction for the year ended December 27, 1921:

PHILADELPHIA, PA., March 2, 1922.

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.

COMPANIONS:—The Most Excellent Grand Secretary presents the Annual Report of the Work and Membership of the Chapters and Mark Lodges of the Jurisdiction for the year ended December 27, 1921.

CHAPTERS.

Membership December 27, 1920, per last report .....	48,828
Admitted during the year .....	104
Restored “ “ “ .....	127
Marked, etc. “ “ “ .....	4,935
	<hr/> 5,166
	<hr/> 53,994
Died “ “ “ .....	722
Resigned “ “ “ .....	222
Suspended “ “ “ .....	259
	<hr/> 1,203
	<hr/> 52,791
A gain of .....	3,963
Rejected .....	156
Restored to G. M. S. ....	48

MARK LODGES.

Membership, December 27, 1920, per last report .....	170
Admitted during the year .....	2
	<hr/> 172
Died “ “ “ .....	6
	<hr/> 166
Membership, December 27, 1921 .....	149
Number of Chapters .....	2
Number of Mark Lodges .....	

Fraternally submitted,  
WARREN T. WALKER,  
Acting Grand Secretary.



A communication was received from Chapter No. 217 asking for permission to receive and act upon a fourth petition from Brother .

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously agreed to grant the petition asked for.

A petition was received from Companion JOHN A. BOLARD, a Past High Priest, formerly of New Jersey and now a member of Chapter No. 240, of this Jurisdiction, for election as a member of Grand Chapter under the provisions of Specification 5, Section 1, Article 3, of the Constitution.

The Most Excellent Grand Secretary was directed to give the members of Grand Chapter the required notice.

Communications were received announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. COCHRANE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Delaware. Died April 27, 1921.

M. E. Companion ADOLPHUS FITZGERALD, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nevada. Died August 31, 1921.

M. E. Companion EUGENE SCHAFER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Iowa. Died October 11, 1921.



M. E. Companion LEVI E. JONES, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut. Died December 19, 1921.

M. E. Companion ANDREW WEBB, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Illinois. Died December 29, 1921.

The Grand Chapter was "called off" for the purpose of exemplifying the Degree of Mark Master Mason.

A Lodge of Mark Master Masons was opened and the Degree of Mark Master Mason was exemplified by the Instructors in the new Capitular School at Scranton, Companion RUFUS STROHM acting as Worshipful Master.

The Lodge of Mark Master Masons was closed.

The Grand Chapter was "called on."

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at nine o'clock and thirty minutes P. M.

WARREN T. WALKER,  
*Acting Grand Secretary.*



## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

JUNE 8, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
“ JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
“ GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	.	.	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
“ P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
“ ROBERT A. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
“ FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
“ ROBERT D. COLE,	.	as	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
“ AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ GEORGE B. HANNUM,	.	.	<i>Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
“ WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	.	.	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
“ CHARLES S. WOOD,	.	.	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions WESLEY R. MORGAN, MILTON E. GINGRICH, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, WILLIAM F. SHAY, ARTHUR W. GILLAN, ROY C. STORMER, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, PETER BARKEY.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HIBBERT P. JOHN, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, CARL A. SUNDSTROM, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.

*Grand Representatives.*

Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS,	of Grand Chapter of Alabama.
“ WILLIAM McCOMBS,	of Grand Chapter of Arkansas.
“ ROBERT E. UMBEL,	of Grand Chapter of British Columbia.
“ ANDREW H. HERSHEY,	of Grand Chapter of California.
“ SAMUEL SHAW,	of Grand Chapter of Canada.



- “ WESLEY R. MORGAN, of Grand Chapter of Delaware.
- “ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.
- “ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.
- “ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.
- “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.
- “ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.
- “ WALTON K. SWETLAND, of Grand Chapter of Montana.
- “ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.
- “ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.
- “ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.
- “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.
- “ CARL A. SUNDSTROM, of Grand Chapter of Ohio.
- “ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.
- “ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.
- “ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.
- “ HIBBERT P. JOHN, of Grand Chapter of Tennessee.
- “ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.
- “ ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Grand Chapter of Washington.
- “ WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Companions of Chapters Nos. 3, 21, 43, 52, 91, 152, 162, 165, 169, 175, 177, 181, 182, 183, 189, 190, 197, 198, 202, 203, 208, 216, 219, 220, 226, 232, 234, 237, 240, 243, 245, 248, 250, 251, 256, 258, 262, 266, 267, 270, 274, 282, 284, 297, 307. (45 Chapters.) (90 members.) (20 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on Thursday, March 2, 1922, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws of Chapter No. 209 and proposed amendments to By-laws from Chapters Nos. 178, 223 and 297 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes:



## QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, June 2, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they, with the assistance of J. Heins and Co., Public Accountants, have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary from February 18, 1922, to May 20, 1922, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

## RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$3,118 45	
“ Certificates .....	10 00	
“ Dispensations .....	2 00	
“ Interest on Investments .....	1,379 62	
“ Interest on Deposits .....	180 45	
“ Sale of Ledger Sheets .....	4 00	
		\$4,694 52
To which add Balance February 18, 1922 ..	28,514 85	
		<u>\$33,209 37</u>

## DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$150 00	
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	122 40	
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00	
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	107 04	
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.'s and other Grand Officers	110 99	
“ Expenses Instruction in Work .....	186 19	
“ Investments .....	10,080 22	
“ Donation Masonic Home of Pennsylvania .....	500 00	
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	1,257 71	
“ Salaries .....	1,325 00	
“ Telephones .....	43 94	
		\$14,883 49
To which add Balance May 20, 1922 .....	18,325 88	
		<u>\$33,209 37</u>

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
E. MARSHALL HARVEY,  
McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,  
J. THOMAS MOORE,  
Committee.



The following report of the Committee on By-laws was received and read, and the resolutions attached thereto were, upon motion duly made and seconded, adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, June 8, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed By-laws and the proposed amendments to the By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, that the proposed By-laws of Chapter No. 209 be amended by striking out the word "thirty" in the third line of Article IX, Section 1, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifty," and as so amended they be approved.

*Resolved*, that the proposed amendments to the By-laws of Chapters Nos. 178, 223 and 297 be approved.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIAM R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL,  
*Committee.*

The Committee on Charity presented the following report:

PHILADELPHIA, June 8, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on Charity beg leave to report that since the last Communication of Grand Chapter they asked for and received from the Emergency Relief Fund the amount of thirty dollars (\$30.00) which was used for the relief of a Companion, a member of Royal Arch Chapter No. 67, Glasgow, Scotland, who was in distress, and one hundred and fifty dollars from the General Fund for the Relief of Widows.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN E. POORE,  
*For the Committee on Charity.*

A petition was received from a number of Companions of Barnesboro, not members of a Chapter, praying for a Warrant to constitute a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons to be known as Barnesboro Royal Arch Chapter. Upon motion it was referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

A ballot was had upon the petition of Companion JOHN A. BOLARD, Past High Priest, now a member of Chapter No. 240, for election as a member of this Grand Chapter under the provisions of the Amendment to the Constitution passed December 8, 1921, whereupon he was unanimously elected.

A communication was received from the Grand Chapter of New Zealand asking for recognition and exchange of Representatives. It was referred to the Committee on Correspondence for report.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest reported for the Committee on Revision of the Constitution that the Committee was at work and had held a number of meetings, but would not be able to present a report for at least six months.

Communications were received announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion EDGAR H. BRISTOL, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Indiana. Died December 7, 1921.



M. E. Companion DONALD DARRACH, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon. Died December 13, 1921.

R. E. Companion JOHN E. REDMOND, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee. Died December 18, 1921.

M. E. Companion ROBERT LEWERS, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio. Died January 12, 1922.

M. E. Companion THOMAS E. SHEARS, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maine. Died February 19, 1922.

M. E. Companion LABAN T. EVERETT, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado. Died February 19, 1922.

M. E. Companion CHARLES E. HORNER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland. Died March 9, 1922.

M. E. Companion JAMES B. BAKER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Indian Territory. Died March 17, 1922.

Companion AUSTIN L. McRAE, Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Arkansas. Died March 18, 1922.

M. E. Companion DANA B. PRATT, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee. Died March 24, 1922.

M. E. Companion ALFRED A. GUTHRIE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New York. Died March 27, 1922.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM C. SOMMER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Illinois. Died April 19, 1922.

The Grand Chapter was "called off" for the purpose of exemplifying the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason.

A Lodge of Most Excellent Master Masons was opened and the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was exemplified by the Companions of Chapter No. 182, Companion OSCAR PAUL Acting Most Excellent Master.

The Lodge of Most Excellent Master Masons was closed and the Grand Chapter was "called on."

Addresses were made by a number of Companions, including Companion JOHN P. GILMER, Past High Priest of Chapter No. 33, of Los Angeles, California.

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at eight o'clock and fifty-five minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*



## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

SEPTEMBER 7, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
“ JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
“ GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
“ REV. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT,			<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	.		<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE,	.	.	<i>Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
“ P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
“ ROBERT A. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
“ ROBERT D. COLE,	.	.	<i>as Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
“ JOHN FETCH,	.	.	<i>as Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
“ AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ GEORGE B. HANNUM,	.	.	<i>Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
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“ WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, J. HOWARD S. BARNES, WESLEY R. MORGAN, CHARLES R. ROBERTS, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, WILLIAM F. SHAY, WALTON SWETLAND, THOMAS N. MCKEE, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HIBBERT P. JOHN, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS.

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“ ANDREW H. HERSHEY, of Grand Chapter of California.  
“ SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.  
“ WESLEY R. MORGAN, of Grand Chapter of Delaware.  
“ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.  
“ THOMAS N. MCKEE, of Grand Chapter of Georgia.  
“ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.  
“ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.  
“ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.  
“ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.  
“ WALTON K. SWETLAND, of Grand Chapter of Montana.  
“ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.  
“ S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, of Grand Chapter of New Hampshire.  
“ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.  
“ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.  
“ CARL A. SUNDSTROM, of Grand Chapter of Ohio.  
“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.  
“ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.  
“ HIBBERT P. JOHN, of Grand Chapter of Tennessee.  
“ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.  
“ WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Companions of Chapters Nos. 3, 43, 52, 91, 152, 165, 169, 175, 177, 183, 185, 187, 189, 190, 192, 198, 202, 203, 208, 216, 219, 220, 225, 226, 230, 232, 233, 234, 237, 240, 243, 245, 248, 250, 256, 258, 262, 267, 268, 271, 284, 295, 307. (43 Chapters.) (109 members.) (19 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on Thursday, June 8, 1922, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed amendment to the By-laws of Chapter No. 220 was received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.



The Committee on Finance presented the following Quarterly Report, which was received and ordered spread in full on the minutes:

QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, August 25, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance report that they, with the assistance of J. Heins & Co., Public Accountants, have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary from May 20, 1922, to August 25, 1922, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$1,239 30
“ Certificates .....	4 00
“ Interest on Investments .....	549 75
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	\$1,793 05
To which add Balance May 20, 1922 .....	18,325 88
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	\$20,118 93

DISBURSEMENTS

For Charity .....	\$200 00
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	332 98
“ Expenses Instruction in Work .....	66 67
“ Trustees for Investment .....	4,771 33
“ Postage, Printing and Stationery .....	64 02
“ Salaries (Office) .....	1,325 00
“ Telephones .....	12 81
“ Auditing .....	150 00
“ Salary of Organist .....	30 00
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	\$7,952 81
To which add Balance August 25, 1922 .....	12,166 12
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	\$20,118 93

Fraternally submitted,  
A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
E. MARSHALL HARVEY,  
McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,  
*Committee.*

The Committee on By-laws presented the following report, which was received and the resolutions attached thereto unanimously adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, September 7, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Chapter No. 220, and offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendment to the By-laws of Chapter No. 220 be approved.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIAM R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL,  
*Committee.*

A communication was received in connection with the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company General Mortgage 4 per cent. Gold Bonds, which was referred to the Trustees.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest reported that the work of the Committee on Revision of Constitution was progressing.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest announced the death of Companion JOHN E. POORE, which occurred July 19, 1922, and referred to the fact that Companion POORE had long been a faithful member of Grand Chapter, serving as a member of the Committee on Charity for a number of years, and that he would be sadly missed from his accustomed place at the Communications of Grand Chapter.



Communications were received from Grand Chapters announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion LORENZO D. SANBORN, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New Jersey. Died February 1, 1922.

M. E. Companion CHARLES W. BOYLESTON, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut. Died March 4, 1922.

M. E. Companion WILBUR F. FOSTER, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee. Died March 26, 1922.

E. Companion WILLIAM I. LATIMER, Grand Master First Vail of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia. Died April 18, 1922.

M. E. Companion ALBERT E. DIAMENT, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri. Died May 4, 1922.

M. E. Companion JOHN A. FERRELL, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas. Died June 21, 1922.

M. E. Companion SILAS M. YORAM, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon. Died June 24, 1922.

M. E. Companion ROBERT E. BAINBRIDGE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri. Died June 30, 1922.

M. E. Companion AARON H. CONNETT, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas. Died July 16, 1922.

The Grand Chapter was "called off" for the purpose of exemplifying the Degree of Royal Arch Mason.

A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was opened and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason was exemplified by the Instructors of the Capitular Schools and District Deputy Grand High Priests, Companion DANIEL CARPENTER, of Chapter No. 185, Acting Most Excellent High Priest. The work was most creditable and occasioned much favorable comment from the Grand Officers.

The Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was closed.

The Grand Chapter was "called on."

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at nine o'clock and fifteen minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*



## QUARTERLY COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

DECEMBER 7, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

PRESENT:

Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest.</i>
“ JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
“ GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
“ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
“ GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
“ WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
“ REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ REV. FRANCIS M. TAITT,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
“ ROBERT D. COLE,	.	.	<i>as Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
“ P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
“ ROBERT A. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
“ FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
“ RALPH C. MINEHART,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
“ AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
“ JOHN FETCH,	.	.	<i>as Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
“ WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	.	.	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
“ CHARLES S. WOOD,	.	.	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
“ WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, ROBERT G. SMITH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, WESLEY R. MORGAN, MILTON E. GINGRICH, CHARLES R. ROBERTS, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, WILLIAM F. SHAY, ARTHUR W. GILLAN, ROY C. STORMER, JAMES H. REEDER, JOHN B. MANN, WALTON K. SWETLAND, THOMAS N. MCKEE, GEORGE W. RODGERS, CHARLES B. RUCH, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, HUGH M. MARQUIS, PETER BARKEY.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions HENRY OSCAR KLINE, WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS, JOSEPH E. QUINBY.

*Grand Representatives.*

- Comp. WILLIAM A. RHOADS, of Grand Chapter of Alabama.  
 “ WILLIAM McCOMBS, of Grand Chapter of Arkansas.  
 “ ROBERT E. UMBEL, of Grand Chapter of British Columbia.  
 “ ANDREW H. HERSHEY, of Grand Chapter of California.  
 “ SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.  
 “ IRA GEORGE ROSS, of Grand Chapter of Connecticut.  
 “ WESLEY R. MORGAN, of Grand Chapter of Delaware.  
 “ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.  
 “ HENRY O. KLINE, of Grand Chapter of Florida.  
 “ THOMAS N. MCKEE, of Grand Chapter of Georgia.  
 “ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.  
 “ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.  
 “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.  
 “ GEORGE A. GORGAS, of Grand Chapter of Maine.  
 “ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.  
 “ JAMES E. MORRIS, of Grand Chapter of Mississippi.  
 “ WALTON K. SWETLAND, of Grand Chapter of Montana.  
 “ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.  
 “ WILLIAM S. SEMPLE, of Grand Chapter of New Jersey.  
 “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.  
 “ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.  
 “ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.  
 “ JOHN MCKAIN, of Grand Chapter of Quebec.  
 “ JAMES H. REEDER, of Grand Chapter of Rhode Island.  
 “ A. HOWARD THOMAS, of Grand Chapter of South Carolina.  
 “ PETER BARKEY, of Grand Chapter of South Dakota.  
 “ JOHN S. WALLACE, of Grand Chapter of Scotland.  
 “ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.  
 “ ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Grand Chapter of Washington.  
 “ WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Grand Chapter of Wyoming.

Chapters Nos. 3, 21, 43, 52, 91, 150, 152, 159, 161, 162, 163, 165, 166, 167, 169, 170, 172, 173, 174, 175, 177, 178, 181, 182, 183, 185, 186, 189, 190, 191, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 200, 201, 202, 206, 208, 209, 212, 215, 217, 220, 222, 224, 225, 226, 227, 230, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 254, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 274, 275, 277, 278, 279, 280, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 288, 289, 290, 291, 294, 296, 297, 299, 300, 301, 302, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308. (113 Chapters.) (244 members.) 12 visitors.)



The Grand Chapter was honored by the presence of M. E. Companion C. TRACEY STAGG, Grand High Priest; JOHN F. BIRMINGHAM, Grand Scribe; WASHINGTON A. RUSSELL, Grand Captain of the Host, and CHARLES C. HUNT, Grand Secretary, all of New York.

M. E. Companion CURTIS CHIPMAN, Grand High Priest, and WALTER B. TRIPP, Grand Captain of the Host, of Massachusetts.

M. E. Companion HALBERT N. BOND, Grand High Priest, of New Hampshire.

M. E. Companion ARTHUR N. NASH, Grand High Priest, and THOMAS MCKENZIE, of Connecticut.

M. E. Companion JOSIAH S. DAVIDSON, Grand High Priest; FRANK C. PREISS, Grand Scribe, and PETER MCGILL, Grand Secretary, all of New Jersey.

M. E. Companion GEORGE A. SALMON, Grand High Priest, of Delaware.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM E. KRUPP, Past Grand High Priest, of West Virginia.

Companion RALPH C. MINEHART, Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at two o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication held on Thursday, September 7, 1922, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed By-laws of Chapters Nos. 163, 197 and 308 and proposed amendments to By-laws of Chapters Nos. 182, 208, 243, 264 and 265 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Trustees made the following report, which was received and ordered spread in full upon the minutes:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GRAND CHAPTER.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., December 1, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Trustees of the Grand Chapter present this, their Fourteenth Annual Report:

There was on hand at last report, as per list herein set forth,  
securities as of par value of ..... \$83,400 00  
There was on hand for investment ..... \$31 61  
Invested by Grand Chapter during the year ..... 14,851 55

Total for investment ..... \$14,883 16

With which were purchased:

Nine (9) United States First Converted Liberty  
Loan 4¼ per cent. Gold Bonds Nos.  
E00191280, E00236080, A 0 0 2 3 6 0 8 1,  
B00236082, C00236083, D 0 0 2 3 6 0 8 4,  
E00258020, B00107272, B00189547..... 9,000 00  
Two (2) \$500 United States First Converted  
Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. Gold Bonds Nos.  
C00073953, D00073954 ..... 1,000 00  
\$10,000 00

Which were immediately exchanged for

One (1) United States First Converted Liberty  
Loan 4¼ per cent. Gold Bond No. C00007433 \$10,000 00  
Five (5) \$1,000 St. Paul Railway Equipment  
Trust 5 per cent. Gold Certificates Nos. 7609,  
7610, 7611, 7612, 7613 ..... 5,000 00  
\$15,000 00



Grand Chapter at its quarterly communication on September 7, 1922, having been advised that the United States Supreme Court had decreed that the Reading Company and the Philadelphia Coal and Iron Company were operating in violation of law, the question of disposal of the Reading Company's certificates was referred to the Trustees with power to act. The Trustees accordingly sold:

Five (5) \$1,000 Bonds, Reading Co. General Mortgage 4 per cent. Nos. M32555, M32556, M42522, M47884, 62867 for the sum of .....	\$4,329 17
Purchasing in lieu thereof	
Five (5) \$1,000 Bonds Lehigh Valley General Consolidated Mortgage Gold 4 per cent. Nos. 2243, 9578, 9579, 13215 and 19903 for the sum of .....	4,327 50
Balance remaining on hand for investment .....	\$1 67

The securities now on hand in the Safe Deposit Box of the Philadelphia Trust Company, consist of the following:

#### PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

One (1) \$1,000 Certificate No. 317, School, City of Philadelphia, 3½ per cent. loan of 1920, principal due July 1, 1932, interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	\$1,000 00
One (1) \$500 Certificate No. 321, School, City of Philadelphia, 3½ per cent. loan of 1904, principal due July 1, 1934, interest due January 1 and July 1, .....	500 00
Five (5) \$1,000 Electric & Peoples Stock Trust Certificate, 4 per cent., Nos. A9448, 9449, 9450, 9451 and 9452, principal due 1945, interest due April 1 and October 1 .....	5,000 00
One (1) \$2,000 Certificate No. 3, City of Philadelphia, registered 4 per cent. loan, due January 1, 1945, interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	2,000 00
One (1) \$500 Certificate No. 28, City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent. registered loan, due January 1, 1945, interest due January 1 and July 1 .....	500 00
Five (5) \$1,000 Bonds, Pennsylvania Company Gold Loans, 4 per cent., Nos. 5976, 5977, 5978, 5979 and 5980, principal due April 1, 1931, interest due April 1 and October 1 .....	5,000 00

Five	(5)	\$1,000	Bonds, Reading Company, Jersey Central, collateral gold 4 per cent., Nos. 19953, 19954, 19955, 19956 and 19957, principal due April 1, 1951, interest due April 1 and October 1 . . . . .	5,000 00
Two	(2)	\$1,000	Bonds, Market Street Elevated Passenger Railway, gold 4 per cent., Nos. 8630 and 8897, principal due May 1, 1955, interest due May 1 and November 1 . . . . .	2,000 00
Three	(3)	\$1,000	Bonds, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, gold 4 per cent., Nos. 53233, 53232 and 59829, principal due May 1 and November 1 . . . . .	3,000 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	Bond, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railroad, First Mortgage 3½ per cent., No. M2044, principal due June 1, 1997, interest June 1 and December 1 . . . . .	1,000 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	Bond, No. 7023, New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk R. R. Stock trust certificates, 4 per cent., principal due June 1, 1948, interest due June 1 and December 1 . . . . .	1,000 00
One	(1)	\$2,000	Certificate, No. 21, City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., loan, principal due January 1, 1946 (registered), interest due January 1 and July 1 . .	2,000 00
One	(1)	\$100	Certificate, No. 138, City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., loan, principal due January 1, 1946 (coupons), interest due January 1 and July 1, . . . . .	100 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	United States First Liberty Loan, 3½ per cent., coupon bond, No. 19023, due June 15, 1947, interest due June 15 and December 15..	1,000 00
One	(1)	\$2,000	City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., registered bond, No. 33, principal due November 1, 1943, interest due January 1 and July 1 . . . . .	2,000 00
One	(1)	\$200	City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., registered bond, No. 124, interest due January 1 and July 1 . . . . .	200 00
One	(1)	\$1,000	Bond, No. 655, City of Philadelphia, 4 per cent., registered loan of July 14, 1910, principal due July 1, 1940, interest due January 1 and July 1 . . . . .	1,000 00
Ten	(10)	\$1,000	United States Second Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bonds of 1927, 1942, Nos. of Bonds, D00056439, D00056444, A00056441, B00056442, C00056443, A00175931, B00175932, E00056440, E00056445, D01067709, Interest due May 15 and November 15 . . . . .	10,000 00



Eight (8)	\$1,000	United States Third Liberty Loan Convertible, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bonds of 1928, Nos. of bonds 477097, 477098, 477099, 477100, 477101, 477102, 477103, 477104, interest due March 15 and September 15 .....	8,000 00
One (1)	\$5,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bond of 1933-1938, numbered C00053043, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	5,000 00
Two (2)	\$1,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bonds of 1933-1938, numbered G01383187, G01497744, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	2,000 00
One (1)	\$10,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bond of 1933-1938, numbered G00143917, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	10,000 00
One (1)	\$10,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bond of 1933-1938, numbered K00006260, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	10,000 00
One (1)	\$1,000	United States Fourth Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bond of 1933-1938, numbered A01130671, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	1,000 00
One (1)	\$100	United States Fourth Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bond of 1933-1938, numbered A02146411, interest due April 15 and October 15 .....	100 00
Five (5)	\$1,000	Bonds, Lehigh Valley General Consolidated Mortgage Gold, 4 per cent., Nos. 2243, 9578, 9570, 13215, 19903, principal due 2003, interest due May 1 and November 1 .....	5,000 00
One (1)	\$10,000	United States First Converted Liberty Loan, 4¼ per cent., coupon gold bond, 1923-1947, No. C00007433, interest due June 15 and December 15 .....	10,000 00
Five (5)	\$1,000	St. Paul (Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul) Railway Equipment Trust, series A, 5 per cent., gold certificates, Nos. 7609, 7610, 7611, 7612, 7613, principal due 1937, interest due January 15 and July 15 .....	5,000 00
			<hr/> \$98,400 00

## INCOME ACCOUNT.

## RECEIPTS.

1921.

November	15,	Check, Pennsylvania Railroad Company .....	\$120 00
"	17,	Coupons, Market Street Elevated .....	40 00
"	17,	Coupons, Reading Company .....	100 00
"	17,	Coupons, 2d 4¼ per cent. Liberty Loan .....	212 50
December	5,	Check, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern ....	17 50

1922.

January	4,	Check, City of Philadelphia 4 per cent.....	154 00
"	4,	Check, City of Philadelphia 3½ per cent.....	26 25
"	17,	Coupon, Liberty Loan 3½ per cent. ....	17 50
"	17,	Coupon, City of Philadelphia 4 per cent. ....	2 00
"	17,	Coupon, New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk..	20 00
"	17,	Coupon, Reading Company .....	100 00
April	3,	Check, Electric & Peoples Traction Company..	100 00
May	2,	Check, Pennsylvania Company .....	60 00
"	2,	Coupons, Market Street Elevated Railway ...	40 00
"	2,	Coupons, Reading Company .....	100 00
"	2,	Coupons, Pennsylvania Company .....	100 00
"	2,	Coupons, Liberty Loan 4¼ per cent. ....	170 00
"	2,	Coupons, 4th 4¼ per cent. Liberty Loan ..	235 87
"	2,	Coupons, 4th 4¼ per cent. Liberty Loan ..	361 25
"	15,	Coupons, 2d 4¼ per cent. Liberty Loan ....	212 50
June	2,	Check, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern ..	17 50
July	3,	Check, City of Philadelphia .....	154 00
"	3,	Check, City of Philadelphia .....	26 25
"	10,	Coupons, New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk	20 00
"	10,	Coupons, Liberty Loan .....	17 50
"	10,	Coupons, Liberty Loan .....	212 50
"	10,	Coupons, City of Philadelphia .....	2 00
"	10,	Reading Company .....	100 00
October	3,	Coupons, Liberty Loan .....	170 00
"	3,	Coupons, Reading Company .....	100 00
"	3,	Coupons, Pennsylvania Company .....	100 00
"	3,	Check, Electric & Peoples Traction Co. ....	100 00
"	26,	Coupons, 4th 4¼ per cent. Liberty Loan ....	361 25
"	26,	Coupons, 4th 4¼ per cent. Liberty Loan ....	235 88



November	1,	Check, Pennsylvania Company .....	60 00
"	6,	Coupons, Market Street Elevated Railway ..	40 00
"	6,	Coupons, Lehigh Valley .....	100 00
"	16,	Coupons, 2d 4¼ per cent. Liberty Loan .....	212 50
Total .....			\$4,218 75

Fraternally submitted,

DAVID J. DAVIS,

GEORGE W. SEEDS,

THOMAS A. MILLAR,

*Trustees of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter.*

The Committee on Finance made the following report:

#### QUARTERLY REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, December 1, A. D. 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they, with the assistance of John Heins Co., Public Accountants, have examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary, from August 25, 1922, to November 21, 1922, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:

#### RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$1,086 17
" Constitutions .....	1 10
" Interest on Deposits .....	116 64
" Interest on Investments .....	1,479 63
" Sale of Ledger Sheets .....	4 24
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	\$2,687 78
To which add Balance August 25, 1922 .....	12,166 12
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	\$14,853 90

## DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$150 00
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	144 60
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	1,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	67 95
“ Instruction in Work .....	1,369 40
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	120 82
“ Rent .....	3,030 00
“ Salaries .....	1,325 00
“ Telephones .....	48 90
“ Auditing .....	25 00
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	\$7,281 67
To which add Balance November 21, 1922 .....	7,572 23
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	\$14,853 90

Fraternally submitted,

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
E. MARSHALL HARVEY,  
McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,  
J. THOMAS MOORE,  
WM. M. DONALDSON,  
*Committee.*

The Committee on Finance made the following Annual Report and Estimate for the year 1922, which was received and the resolution attached was, on motion duly made and seconded, adopted:

## ANNUAL REPORT.

PHILADELPHIA, December 1, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they with the assistance of the Public Accountants, have examined the accounts and securities held by the Trustees which show an invested fund of \$98,400.00 as fully set forth in their Annual Report to Grand Chapter.

The Committee has also examined the books of the Most Excellent Grand Treasurer and the books of the Most Excellent Grand Secretary for the Fiscal Year ending November 20, 1922, and find them correct, agreeing with their vouchers, showing:



## RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$33,186 87
“ Certificates .....	18 00
“ Constitutions .....	2 10
“ Dispensations .....	3 00
“ Interest on Deposits .....	297 09
“ Interest on Investments .....	4,218 75
“ Sale of Ledger Sheets .....	10 24
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	\$37,736 05
To which add Balance November 17, 1921 ....	6,739 19
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	\$44,475 24

## DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$650 00
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	704 55
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	4,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	2,999 70
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.'s and Other Grand Officers	1,015 07
“ Instruction in Work .....	1,710 95
“ Investments .....	14,851 55
“ Donation Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, of Philadelphia .....	500 00
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	1,699 21
“ Rent .....	3,030 00
“ Salaries .....	5,300 00
“ Telephones .....	154 48
“ Organist .....	100 00
“ Bond of Grand Treasurer .....	12 50
“ Auditing .....	175 00
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	\$36,903 01
To which add Balance November 21, 1922 .....	7,572 23
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	\$44,475 24

The Charity and Emergency Relief Fund per last Report showed	
a balance of .....	\$1,309 34
Add Interest credited to July 1, 1922 .....	12 49
Add Interest credited to November 21, 1922 .....	13 11
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	\$1,334 94
Deduct Check to the Charity Committee .....	30 00
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Balance of this Fund November 21, 1922 .....	\$1,304 94

## ESTIMATES FOR 1923.

The Committee presents the following estimates for the year ending November 20, 1923:

## RECEIPTS.

From Chapters and Mark Lodges .....	\$31,000 00
“ Interest on Investments and Deposits .....	4,500 00
“ Constitutions, etc. ....	50 00
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	\$35,550 00
“ Balance November 21, 1922 .....	\$7,572 23
“ Less Salaries due December 7, 1922 .....	1,325 00
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	6,247 23
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	\$41,797 23

## DISBURSEMENTS.

For Charity .....	\$1,500 00
“ Expenses M. E. Grand High Priest .....	4,000 00
“ Expenses D. D. Grand High Priests .....	3,500 00
“ Expenses P. G. H. P.'s and Other Grand Officers .....	1,500 00
“ Salaries Grand Secretary's Office .....	5,000 00
“ Salary of Grand Tyler .....	300 00
“ Rent .....	3,250 00
“ Printing, Postage and Stationery .....	2,500 00
“ Instruction in Work .....	2,500 00
“ Clothing and Furniture .....	1,500 00
“ Investments .....	10,000 00
“ Donation Masonic Home of Pennsylvania, of Philadelphia .....	1,000 00
“ Telephones and Incidentals .....	1,000 00
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	37,550 00
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Estimated Balance .....	\$4,247 23

The Committee offer the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, that the above recommendations of the Committee on Finance be approved and that the Most Excellent Grand High Priest be and he is hereby authorized to draw his warrants on the Grand Treasurer for the several amounts named in the foregoing estimates as they become due and payable.

*Resolved*, that as the Grand Chapter is contemplating the entertainment of Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions, entailing considerable expense therefor, the sum of \$1,250.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated for that purpose or as much thereof as may be needed, and that



the Grand High Priest be and he is hereby authorized to draw his warrants on the Grand Treasurer to the extent of the amount specified.

A. G. CRISWELL SMITH,  
E. MARSHALL HARVEY,  
McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE,  
J. THOMAS MOORE,  
WM. M. DONALDSON,  
*Committee.*

The Committee on By-laws presented the following report, which was received and the resolution thereto attached unanimously adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-laws beg leave to report that they have examined the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of the various Chapters referred to them, and offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Chapters Nos. 182, 208, 264 and 265 be approved.

Fraternally submitted,

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIAM R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL,  
*Committee.*

The Committee on Printing and Publishing presented the following report:

PHILADELPHIA, December 7, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on Printing and Publishing begs leave to report that the contract awarded the International Printing Company for printing and binding the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter for the year 1921 was completed to the satisfaction of the Committee.

The total expenditure for the year for printing, postage and stationery was \$1699.21, which amount includes the cost of printing, binding and distributing the Proceedings.

Fraternally Submitted,

LOUIS M. WAGNER,  
JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON,  
FRANK E. TOWNSEND,  
MURRAY GORGAS,  
ROBERT W. VOGT,

*Committee.*

The Most Excellent Grand Secretary reported that General Returns had been received from all Chapters and Mark Lodges, and that all dues to Grand Chapter had been paid except those of Chapter No. 3, which, however, had been received after the closing of the books for the fiscal year ending November 20, 1922.

This being the time fixed by the Constitution for the election of Grand Officers to serve Grand Chapter for the ensuing Masonic year, beginning on St. John's Day next, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest was pleased to appoint Tellers to conduct the election for Grand Officers.

The Tellers appointed to conduct the election for Grand Officers having reported, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest announced the following named Companions duly elected:

JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand High Priest.  
GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand King.  
WALTON K. SWETLAND, Most Excellent Grand Scribe.  
THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer.  
GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary.



The Most Excellent Grand High Priest announced the death on November 25, 1922, of Companion S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, Grand Captain of the Host of this Grand Chapter from 1913 to date of his death. He referred to the many years of service rendered by Companion KINSLOE to this Grand Chapter, he having been appointed Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies in 1905 and serving up through the various positions to that of Grand Captain of the Host. He was also Principal of the Philadelphia Capitular School from 1911 to 1921. He was active in all other branches of Masonry, and was a past officer in many of the bodies.

Communications were received from Grand Chapters announcing the deaths of distinguished Companions as follows:

M. E. Companion FELIX W. FITZPATRICK, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Texas. Died January 26, 1922.

M. E. Companion FRANK J. NUSOM, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Texas. Died March 11, 1922.

M. E. Companion HENRY S. HAINES, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New Jersey. Died June 25, 1922.

M. E. Companion GEORGE W. POE, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Virginia. Died September 25, 1922.

M. E. Companion ROBERT R. BURNAM, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kentucky. Died October 9, 1922.

M. E. Companion NICHOLS GREENLEAF, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Colorado. Died October 25, 1922.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest reported that the Committee on Revision of Constitution were progressing with that work.

The following certificate was presented and read:

PHILADELPHIA, December 6, 1922.

*George B. Wells, Esq., Grand Secretary of the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

MOST EXCELLENT SIR AND COMPANION:—At the stated meeting of Tristram B. Freeman Royal Arch Chapter, No. 243, held Tuesday evening, December 5, 1922, Companion HENRY E. STRATHMANN was duly elected Most Excellent High Priest to serve for the ensuing Masonic year beginning on St. John's Day next.

Attest:

CHARLES C. JUDD,  
*Secretary.*

(Seal)

All the Companions present who had not received the Order of High Priesthood having retired, Companion HENRY E. STATHMANN was duly installed High Priest of Tristram B. Freeman Royal Arch Chapter, No. 243, and had the Order of High Priesthood conferred upon him by Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction, East, at the request of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.



The Grand Chapter was “called off.”

After dinner tendered to the distinguished guests, Grand Chapter was “called on.”

The Grand Chapter was again “called off” and a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was opened and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason was exemplified for the second time this year for the benefit of the many guests from other Grand Jurisdictions who were present, by the Instructors from the Capitular Schools of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Scranton, Companion JOHN BELL, JR., of the Pittsburgh School, acting Most Excellent High Priest.

The work was so well done as to elicit much praise not only from the visitors but from our own Grand Officers.

All of the visiting Most Excellent Grand High Priests and the elective Grand Officers from other Jurisdictions made most interesting and instructive addresses and expressed their pleasure in having been permitted to see the exemplification of the work in Pennsylvania.

The Grand Chapter closed in Peace at ten o'clock P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*

# ANNUAL GRAND COMMUNICATION

HELD AT

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA,

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, ST. JOHN'S DAY, A. D. 1922, A. I. 2452.

PRESENT:

Comp.	JOSEPH E. QUINBY,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand High Priest</i>
"	JOHN M. CORE,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand King.</i>
"	GEORGE P. DARROW,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Scribe.</i>
"	THOMAS McCONNELL, JR.,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Treasurer.</i>
"	GEORGE B. WELLS,	.	.	<i>M. E. Grand Secretary.</i>
"	WARREN T. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Assistant Grand Secretary.</i>
"	REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON,	.	.	<i>Grand Chaplain.</i>
"	ROBERT D. COLE,	.	.	<i>as Grand Captain of the Host.</i>
"	P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER,	.	.	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner.</i>
"	ROBERT A. WALKER,	.	.	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain.</i>
"	FRANCIS L. BORIE,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Third Vail.</i>
"	RALPH C. MINEHART,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the Second Vail.</i>
"	WILLIAM B. KROPP,	.	.	<i>Grand Master of the First Vail.</i>
"	AUGUST P. KUNZIG,	.	.	<i>Grand Marshal.</i>
"	JOHN FETCH,	.	.	<i>as Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
"	WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR.,	.	.	<i>Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.</i>
"	CHARLES S. WOOD,	.	.	<i>Grand Pursuivant.</i>
"	WILLIAM B. JOSLYN,	.	.	<i>Grand Tyler.</i>

*District Deputy Grand High Priests:*—Companions ROBERT G. SMITH, SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, WESLEY R. MORGAN, CHARLES H. TILTON, CHARLES H. WEAVER, FRANK C. YINGST, WALTON K. SWETLAND, EDMUND W. BOOTS, JOHN A. ARMSTRONG.

*Past Grand High Priests:*—M. E. Companions WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, CARL A. SUNDSTROM, A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, GEORGE B. WELLS, THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., DAVID J. DAVIS, JOSEPH E. QUINBY.

## *Grand Representatives.*

Comp.	WILLIAM A. RHOADS,	of Grand Chapter of Alabama.
"	WILLIAM McCOMBS,	of Grand Chapter of Arkansas.
"	ROBERT E. UMBEL,	of Grand Chapter of British Columbia.
"	ANDREW H. HERSHEY,	of Grand Chapter of California.



- “ SAMUEL SHAW, of Grand Chapter of Canada.
- “ WESLEY R. MORGAN, of Grand Chapter of Delaware.
- “ EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Grand Chapter of District of Columbia.
- “ GEORGE B. WELLS, of Grand Chapter of Illinois.
- “ CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Grand Chapter of Kentucky.
- “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, of Grand Chapter of Louisiana.
- “ GEORGE P. DARROW, of Grand Chapter of Maryland.
- “ JAMES E. MORRIS, of Grand Chapter of Mississippi.
- “ WALTON K. SWETLAND, of Grand Chapter of Montana.
- “ CHARLES H. TILTON, of Grand Chapter of New Brunswick.
- “ DAVID J. DAVIS, of Grand Chapter of New York.
- “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, of Grand Chapter of North Carolina.
- “ CARL A. SUNDSTROM, of Grand Chapter of Ohio.
- “ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., of Grand Chapter of Oklahoma.
- “ JOHN M. CORE, of Grand Chapter of Oregon.
- “ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, of Grand Chapter of Vermont.

Chapters Nos. 3, 43, 52, 91, 152, 165, 169, 171, 175, 177, 183, 190, 192, 196, 198, 202, 216, 220, 226, 232, 233, 234, 237, 240, 243, 245, 248, 250, 251, 256, 258, 262, 271, 274, 283, 284, 307 of Pennsylvania, one of New Jersey, and one of West Virginia. (27 Chapters.) (84 members.) (17 visitors.)

The Grand Chapter was honored by the presence of M. E. Companion W. N. PONTON, Past Grand Z. of the Grand Chapter of Canada, and M. E. Companion WILLIAM E. KRUPP, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of West Virginia.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M.

The minutes of the Quarterly Communication, held Thursday, December 7, 1922, were read and approved.

Copies of proposed amendments to the By-laws of Chapters Nos. 236, 238 and 243 were received and referred to the Committee on By-laws.

The Committee on By-laws presented the following report:

PHILADELPHIA, December 27, 1922.

*To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania.*

COMPANIONS:—Your Committee on By-laws beg leave to report that they examined the proposed Amendments to the By-laws referred to them, and offer the following resolution:

*Resolved*, that the proposed Amendments to the By-laws of Chapters Nos. 236, 238 and 243 be approved.

CARL A. SUNDSTROM,  
A. HOWARD THOMAS,  
FENTON H. MIDDLETON,  
WM. R. SUTCH,  
ROBERT E. UMBEL,  
*Committee.*

The M. E. Grand Secretary reported that General Returns had been received from sixty-four Chapters and one Mark Lodge.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest presented the following address reviewing the work of the two years of his administration, showing that much constructive work had been done during the period:

*Companions of Grand Chapter:*

It seems but yesterday that there was conferred upon me the highest honor Grand Chapter can bestow, yet two years have sped away, and the time is at hand when I am to give an account of my stewardship and turn over to my successor the sceptre of authority in this Grand Chapter.

It is my profound conviction that no Companion should accept this high station unless he is willing to



assume its responsibilities and discharge its obligations to the best of his ability.

In accordance with this belief, your servant, for such he is, has endeavored, with the assistance of the other Grand Officers, to awaken renewed interest in Royal Arch Masonry throughout our Jurisdiction, and our only regret is that we could not have done more.

We have been amply rewarded for our labors by seeing a new and enlarged interest in Capitular Masonry, the strengthening of the weak places, a closer approach to letter perfection in ritual work, and a new and increasing desire to learn more about the moral and spiritual signification of Royal Arch Masonry.

Harmony and co-operation, the backbone and sinew of every organization, has characterized all our work, and we have been able to present a united front in all our undertakings, each individual lending to the group the elements of strength and the talents he possesses, and receiving in return the help, inspiration and protection of the whole organization.

The Angel of Death has summoned to their eternal home three of our official family:

Companion S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, Past Master, St. Paul's Lodge, No. 481; Past High Priest, Palestine R. A. Chapter, No. 240; Grand Captain of Host, 1913

to death, November 25, 1922; Principal Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, 1911-1921.

Companion JOHN E. POORE, a Past High Priest of Jerusalem R. A. Chapter, No. 3, of Philadelphia. Served Grand Chapter as a member of the Committee on By-laws from 1903 to 1907 and a member of the Committee on Charity from 1908 to the date of his death. He was a Past Master of Philadelphia Lodge, No. 72, subsequently resigning and becoming a member of Progress Lodge, No. 609.

Companion ALBERT W. NICHOLSON, a Past High Priest of Pittsburgh R. A. Chapter, No. 268, later being a charter member of Wilkinsburg R. A. Chapter, No. 265. Served Grand Chapter as a member of the Committee on Charity from 1914 to the date of his death. He was a Past Master of Washington Lodge, No. 253.

#### DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

January 7, 1922. To T. B. Freeman R. A. Chapter, No. 243, to elect Trustee to fill vacancy caused by death.

January 13, 1922. To Zinzendorf R. A. Chapter, No. 216, to elect Treasurer to fill vacancy caused by death.

January 30, 1922. To Lycoming R. A. Chapter, No. 222, to elect Treasurer to fill vacancy caused by death.



April 27, 1922. To Coatesville R. A. Chapter, No. 267, to confer the Royal Arch Degree, without waiting the required time, on Brother ALBERT H. GERBERICH, on account of his having to return to Europe in the service of the Government as Consul.

December 5, 1922. To Kensington R. A. Chapter, No. 233, to confer the Royal Arch Degree, without waiting the required time, on Brother ANTHONY H. TAMARIA, on account of his having to leave the country in the service of the Government.

#### WAIVERS OF JURISDICTION.

Have granted all Waivers of Jurisdiction asked for as follows: New Jersey, 9; New York, 7, and Maryland, 2.

Waivers of Jurisdiction were requested and granted as follows: New Jersey, 4, and Maryland, 1.

#### APPOINTMENTS.

##### *Grand Representatives.*

Companion THOMAS MCKENZIE, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, near the Grand Chapter of Connecticut.

Companion WILLIAM B. PRICE, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, near the Grand Chapter of Maryland.

Companion SAMUEL E. BALLENTINE, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, near the Grand Chapter of Michigan.

Companion DAVID E. WILLIAMSON, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, near the Grand Chapter of Nevada.

Companion ALBERT LEON, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, near the Grand Chapter of New Jersey.

Companion ROBERT G. BEISEL, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, near the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island.

#### WARRANTS FOR NEW CHAPTERS.

June 8, 1922. An application was received in due form at the Quarterly Communication, held June 8, 1922, to grant a warrant for a new Chapter to be located in Barnesboro, when, on motion duly made and carried, the matter was referred to the Grand Officers with power to act.

After due consideration by the Grand Officers it was decided that the best interests of Capitular Masonry would not be served by the constitution of a Chapter where no Lodge existed. The prayer of the petitioners was therefore refused.

#### DECISION.

WHEREAS, It has come to my knowledge that Companion BERTON A. FISCHER, reported to me as a Royal Arch Mason in Good Standing, and now a member of Sussex Chapter, No. 59, stationed at Brookville, Ontario, under the Jurisdiction of the



Grand Chapter of Canada, a Grand Chapter with which we are on fraternal relations, has applied for permission to visit Portage R. A. Chapter, No. 195, at Johnstown, and has been denied such privilege, by reason of his not having the word of the Chair, and

WHEREAS, The law of the Grand Chapter of the Dominion of Canada does not permit the conferring of the degree of Past Master, nor does it make the word of the Chair prerequisite to admission to a Chapter within its Jurisdiction,

Therefore, Believing it to be for the best interests of Capitular Masonry in the Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania and for the maintenance of present Fraternal relations with the Grand Chapter of Canada,

By virtue of the power and authority in me vested as Grand High Priest, I direct that, if the Companion referred to can be properly vouched for as a Royal Arch Mason with the exception of the word of the Chair, and it meets with the approval of the officers and members to extend to him the courtesy asked for, the same be done.

Provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall at any time be construed as in any way changing the present requirements for membership in a Chapter in this Jurisdiction.

This decision shall apply to all Chapters under our Jurisdiction.

### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

The splendid work of our twenty-five faithful District Deputy Grand High Priests commands commendation almost beyond the power of words to express.

During the year just closed they have made a total of 355 visits to Chapters, or an average of fourteen each. They have labored zealously in the inspection of minute-books and Books of Marks, and have done splendid service in "keying up" the weaker Secretaries to better work and more efficient methods.

Among other laborious duties the District Deputy Grand High Priests must pass upon the qualifications of the Kings, and it is gratifying to state that the reports show that the Kings of all Chapters in the Jurisdiction, excepting eight, have qualified for election and installation as Most Excellent High Priests.

In three of the Chapters referred to the Scribes qualified and were elected and installed Most Excellent High Priests. In one all the officers were re-elected. In another Chapter it was found necessary to elect a Past High Priest to serve as Most Excellent High Priest for the coming year. Another Chapter, King elected Most Excellent High Priest, failed to qualify, but expects to qualify in January. Another Chapter, the King qualified but was defeated by a Companion who served as Scribe in 1920; this Companion failed to qualify and was not installed; the



High Priest of 1922 holds over. Another Chapter, the King elected Most Excellent High Priest failed to qualify, holding over the High Priest 1922.

I venture to bespeak such continued and increasing zeal on the part of both District Deputy Grand High Priests and the officers in line of the subordinate Chapters that my successor may be able to report one year hence that the King of every Chapter had been advanced to the High Priesthood.

On July 7, 1922, I sent the following letter of instructions to the District Deputy Grand High Priests:

“DEAR SIR AND COMPANION:—It is an imperative requirement of Grand Chapter that no Brother shall be exalted to the Supreme Degree of Royal Arch Mason until after his mark shall have been adopted and fully recorded in the Book of Marks. Recording includes the copying of the Mark in the Book of Marks, together with the name of the Brother, the date on which he had the Honorary Degree of Mark Master Mason conferred upon him, and the description of his mark.

“Strict compliance with these requirements is enjoined upon all Secretaries, but it has come to our attention that many Secretaries have become more or less indifferent to these requirements. You are therefore requested at the earliest opportunity to make a careful inspection of the Book of Marks of the several Chapters in your District. Should you find irregularities or omissions direct the Most Excellent High Priest to see that the necessary corrections are promptly made, and that in the future the regulations in reference to this matter are strictly enforced.

“Inspection of the minute books of some Chapters by the Most Excellent Grand Secretary also show some irregularities, especially relating to the Auditing Committee and their reports. It is imperative that an Auditing Committee should be appointed in December of each and every year and report at the stated meeting in January following. Their report must state that they have examined the books and accounts of the

Secretary, Treasurer and Trustees, showing in detail the source of revenue and the items of expenditure. This report must be read in open Chapter and copied in full in the minutes.

“You are accordingly requested to examine all minute books, with a view of correcting especially the errors and omissions above referred to, and also all others you may discover. I hope to have a full and complete report from you on the above matters at your earliest convenience.

“In reference to the clause in my letter of January last to the effect that no one should be installed Most Excellent High Priest of his Chapter until after he has satisfied the District Deputy Grand High Priest that he is fully qualified to confer the Degree of Royal Arch Mason, and open and close his Chapter according to the required form, and perform the duties that pertain to the office, must be enforced. We will therefore require that you report prior to December 27th next on this matter.”

### MARKS.

A recent survey has disclosed the deplorable fact that within the past few years a number of Brethren in several different Chapters have been exalted to the Supreme Degree of Royal Arch Mason, whose marks had not been previously recorded in the Book of Marks.

This is a flagrant violation of Article 16, Section 10, of the Constitution, and it was thought the evil had been eradicated in the past and that the law on the subject was so universally known that violations were not likely to occur, but it has been thus shown that “Eternal Vigilance” is the price of other things besides Liberty. Had I known at the time of the violations of the law referred to I should have felt called upon to take drastic action, but as a number of the offenders are no longer officers it would seem invidious to punish those I could now reach.



Accordingly it must suffice that I call the attention of my successor to the evil and warn each High Priest in the Jurisdiction that he is recreant to his obligation if he permits any one to be exalted to the Supreme Degree of Royal Arch Mason whose mark has not been recorded in the Book of Marks.

Of course, it is the duty of the Secretary to obtain the copy of the mark and have it recorded in the Book of Marks, but the High Priest is the responsible executive officer and on him rests the burden of seeing that the Secretary discharges his obligations.

#### SECRETARIES.

A competent secretary who brings zeal and energy to his work, together with a realizing sense of his responsibilities, is ever an invaluable asset to any Chapter, and willing testimony is hereby borne to the fact that a majority of the Secretaries of this Jurisdiction command our respect, and even gratitude, for splendid service cheerfully rendered.

There are, however, unfortunately enough exceptions to this rule to necessitate special mention at this time.

Grand Chapter furnishes to each Secretary a form for recording minutes so complete and precise that failure to follow same can only be attributed to gross carelessness, or, what is worse, a lack of recognition of a Secretary's responsibilities and obligations.

No Secretary fulfills his duty who is not able at all times to show a correct account between the Chapter and each member thereof, the amounts and sources of all receipts, and all expenditures, and the purposes thereof.

The minute book should show in regular order and in fullest detail all that is done in and by the Chapter, excepting of course such things as manifestly cannot properly be committed to writing.

The Secretary must make full return in proper form and at the right time to the Most Excellent Grand Secretary.

A Secretary with pride in his work will, if he continues in office for a period of years, develop lines and degree of service far beyond his formal obligation by becoming a stabilizing force, standing as a bulwark against irregularities and innovations, and placing his fund of accumulated experience at the disposal of the Most Excellent High Priest, who serves but one year, without in any wise encroaching upon the prerogatives and responsibilities of the latter.

The Secretary should impress upon each Brother receiving the honorary degree of Mark Master Mason the importance of promptly adopting a proper mark and furnishing him (the Secretary) with a copy thereof, that he may have the mark fully recorded in the Book of Marks prior to the time of exaltation, as is more fully set forth under another heading in this address.



### DUES AND FEES.

An inspection of the By-laws of subordinate Chapters shows a wide range in the amount charged by the Chapters for dues and fees.

Dues range from \$1.00 to \$7.00 per year. Fees, \$20.00 to \$40.00. Life memberships, \$20.00 to \$150.00.

Our Constitution requires that Chapters shall not confer the degrees for less than twenty dollars, but there is no constitutional requirement fixing a minimum for dues.

It is our opinion that the fees and dues are far too low, and not in keeping with the importance of Capitular Masonry.

In order that this matter may be properly brought before Grand Chapter, and in view of the fact that a Committee of Grand Chapter has under consideration at this time a revision of the Constitution, Rules and Regulations, I respectfully suggest they embody in their report to Grand Chapter an amendment fixing a minimum amount for dues.

### DEMOLAY FOR BOYS.

October 20, 1922, at the invitation of R. E. Sir RALPH C. MINEHART, Grand Commander, Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, attended the constitution of Fidelity Chapter, Order of DeMolay for Boys, at Orange, N. J. The Right Worshipful Grand Master of Pennsylvania was represented at the meeting by

Brother HENRY S. BORNEMAN, District Deputy Grand Master.

We witnessed the conferring of their degrees in the presence of more than 3000 Masons. The work was very impressive, teaching beautiful and instructive lessons of clean living, filial love, patriotism, reverence and protection of womanhood and the defense of the public schools against harmful propaganda.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander, in a letter dated October 25, 1922, has suggested to the Commanderies under his Jurisdiction that they sponsor the Order of DeMolay for Boys. In compliance with this request, Division No. 1, comprising the Commanderies in Philadelphia and vicinity, are making the necessary arrangements to have a Chapter located in Philadelphia.

This movement should receive the endorsement of all Royal Arch Masons. It takes the boys between sixteen and twenty-one years of age at a time when they are more easily influenced, and surrounds them with an environment which will be most beneficial.

#### INVITATIONS.

January 18, 1922. To Grand Chapter of Delaware, held at Wilmington, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand



Secretary; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

January 31, 1922. To Jerusalem Chapter, No. 13, held at Bridgeport, Connecticut, accompanied by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, on the occasion of the official visitation of Companion EDGAR B. ELLIS, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut.

February 7, 1922. To the Grand Chapter of New York, held at Albany, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and AUGUST P. KUNZIG, Grand Marshal.

February 21, 1922. To the Grand Chapter of Canada, held at Hamilton, Ontario, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and E. MARSHALL HARVEY, Secretary of Committee on Finance.

April 11 and 12, 1922. To the Grand Chapter of Georgia, held at Macon, accompanied by Companion JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King, on the occasion of the One Hundredth Anniversary of their Grand Chapter.

May 2 and 3, 1922. The Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania was represented at the Grand Chapter of Maine, held at Portland, by Companions JOHN M.

CORE, Most Excellent Grand King, and THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, on the occasion of the One Hundredth Anniversary of their Grand Chapter.

May 8 and 9, 1922. To the Grand Chapter of Connecticut, held at Hartford, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary.

May 10, 1922. To the Grand Chapter of New Jersey, held at Trenton, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary.

May 15 and 16, 1922. At the request of Companion WILLIAM D. CHANDLER, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire, Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, attended the One Hundred and Third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire, held at Concord.

June 23, 1922. The Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania was represented at the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, held at Baltimore, by Companion GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe.



August 15, 1922. Invitation to attend the Thirty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Montana was received, but was unable to accept.

November 13, 1922. To the Grand Chapter of West Virginia, held at Fairmount, accompanied by Companion JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King.

December 12, 1922. To the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, held at Boston, accompanied by Companion JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King.

December 15, 1922. To St. John's Chapter, No. 4, Royal Arch Masons of Delaware, at Wilmington, on the occasion of the official visit of Companion GEORGE A. SALMON, Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

On each of these visitations the Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania were most cordially and fraternally received, and every courtesy was extended to them.

#### DISTRICT MEETINGS.

Having been impressed with the beneficence of District Meetings, as held by my predecessors, at which the three degrees were rehearsed, each by a different Chapter, in the presence, not only of the Grand Officers, but of the Officers of all the Chapters in the District, I decided to extend the system to a point bounded only by the limitations of time and opportunity.

Accordingly, not only was a District Meeting held in every District in the State during the year 1921—and another in 1922, at a different meeting place in each District—but six Districts were visited for the third time during the two years.

It is gratifying to report that the manifest results of these District Meetings have fully justified the expenditure of time, money and labor they necessitated.

April 29, 1922. District No. 5, held at Bethlehem; Grand Chapter was represented by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Allen R. A. Chapter, No. 230; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Slatington R. A. Chapter, No. 292, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Ezra R. A. Chapter, No. 291, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

May 11, 1922. District No. 1, held at Lansdale, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; J. HOWARD S. BARNES, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by



Doylestown R. A. Chapter, No. 270; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Abington R. A. Chapter, No. 245; and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Phoenix R. A. Chapter, No. 198, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain.

May 13, 1922. Districts A, B, C, held at Germantown, Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH and ROBERT G. SMITH, District Deputy Grand High Priests; GEORGE W. WELLBURN and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains; GEORGE B. HANNUM, Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Oriental R. A. Chapter, No. 183; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Columbia R. A. Chapter, No. 91, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by T. B. Freeman R. A. Chapter, No. 243, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D. COLE, Principal; IRVIN BRANDEIS, JOHN FETCH, BENJAMIN BISWANGER and CLARENCE R. BROOKS, Instructors of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain.

June 19, 1922. District No. 5, held at Stroudsburg, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; CHARLES R. ROBERTS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Bangor R. A. Chapter, No. 274; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Siegfried R. A. Chapter, No. 295, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Monroe R. A. Chapter, No. 281, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

June 20, 1922. District No. 6, held at Montrose, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; DAVID J. DAVIS, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; CHARLES H. TILTON, District Deputy Grand High Priest; GEORGE W. WELLBURN and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains, and P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER, Grand Principal Sojourner. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Factoryville and Great Bend R. A. Chapters, Nos. 205 and 210; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by the Companions of R. A. Chapters Nos. 179, 180, 185 and 205, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Warren R. A. Chapter, No. 180, with the assistance of Compan-



ion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

June 21, 1922. District No. 7, held at Pittston, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; CHARLES H. WEAVER, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Valley R. A. Chapter, No. 214; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Amity R. A. Chapter, No. 293, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Nanticoke R. A. Chapter, No. 287, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

June 22, 1922. District No. 9, held at Bloomsburg, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; WILLIAM F. SHAY, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Catawissa R. A. Chapter, No. 178; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Danville R. A. Chapter, No. 239, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Bloomsburg R. A. Chapter, No. 218. Companion

ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, assisted in the rehearsal. An address was delivered by Companion GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain.

June 23, 1922. District No. 8, held at Tamaqua, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; FRANK C. YINGST, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Tremont R. A. Chapter, No. 221; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Lilly R. A. Chapter, No. 181, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Schuylkill R. A. Chapter, No. 159, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

June 24, 1922. District No. 3, held at Lebanon, accompanied by Companions GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; MILTON E. GINGRICH, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Reading R. A. Chapter, No. 152; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Excelsior R. A. Chapter, No. 237, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Weidle R. A. Chapter, No. 197, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of



the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

September 8, 1922. District No. 2, held at Chester, accompanied by Companions GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest; GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain; S. E. BURKE KINSLOE, Grand Captain of the Host, and WILLIAM J. BYRNES, Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Kennett R. A. Chapter, No. 275, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Montgomery R. A. Chapter, No. 262, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion GEORGE W. WELLBURN, Grand Chaplain.

September 11, 1922. District No. 10, held at Newport, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; ARTHUR W. GILLAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by S. C. Perkins R. A. Chapter, No. 209; the Degree of Most Excellent Master

Mason by St. John's R. A. Chapter, No. 171, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Newport R. A. Chapter, No. 238, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 12, 1922. District No. 12, held at Bellefonte, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; JAMES H. REEDER, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Troy R. A. Chapter, No. 261; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by LaFayette R. A. Chapter, No. 163, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Bellefonte R. A. Chapter, No. 241, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 13, 1922. District No. 13, held at Bradford, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; JOHN B. MANN, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The



three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Kane R. A. Chapter, No. 279; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Bradford R. A. Chapter, No. 260, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Elk R. A. Chapter, No. 230, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, and ALBERT E. ELDRIDGE, Instructor of the Capitular School of Instruction at Pittsburgh. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 14, 1922. District No. 14, held at Port Allegany, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; WALTON K. SWETLAND, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Coudersport R. A. Chapter, No. 263; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Ulysses R. A. Chapter, No. 269, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Arnold R. A. Chapter, No. 254, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 15, 1922. District No. 15, held at Clarion, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE,

Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; WILLIAM B. MEREDITH and A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priests; THOMAS N. McKEE, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Jefferson R. A. Chapter, No. 225; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Butler R. A. Chapter, No. 273, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Eden R. A. Chapter, No. 259, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, and ALBERT E. ELDRIDGE, Instructor of the Capitular School of Instruction at Pittsburgh. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 16, 1922. District No. 22, held at Franklin, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest; CHARLES E. COOPER, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Aaron R. A. Chapter, No. 207; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Occidental R. A. Chapter, No. 235, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Oil City R. A. Chapter, No. 236, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D.



COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, FRANK T. McCLURE and RALPH E. BLAKESLEE, Instructors of the Capitular School of Instruction at Pittsburgh. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 21, 1922. District No. 21, held at Conneautville, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; PETER BARKEY, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Solomon R. A. Chapter, No. 191; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Columbus R. A. Chapter, No. 200, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Oriental R. A. Chapter, No. 187, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, and JOHN BELL, Instructor of the Capitular School of Instruction at Pittsburgh. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 22, 1922. District No. 20, held at Greenville, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; HUGH M. MARQUIS, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Norman R. A. Chapter, No. 244; the Degree of Most Ex-

cellent Master Mason by Delta R. A. Chapter, No. 170, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Mound R. A. Chapter, No. 212, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, and JOHN BELL, Instructor of the Capitular School of Instruction at Pittsburgh. An address was delivered by Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain.

September 23, 1922. Districts Nos. 16, 17 and 18, held at McKeesport, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; CHARLES B. RUCH, EDMUND W. BOOTS, GEORGE W. RODGERS and JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, District Deputy Grand High Priests; EDWARD W. RUSHTON and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Coraopolis R. A. Chapter, No. 300; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Valley R. A. Chapter, No. 289, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Duquesne R. A. Chapter, No. 193, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia; JAMES C. WEIR, Principal, FREDERICK P. GLASSER and JOHN W. BRANDON, Instructors of the Capitular School of Instruction at Pittsburgh. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.



September 25, 1922. District No. 19, held at Connellsville, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Hebron R. A. Chapter, No. 272; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Union R. A. Chapter, No. 165, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Urania R. A. Chapter, No. 192, with the assistance of Companions ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, and ALBERT E. ELDRIDGE, Instructor of the Capitular School of Instruction at Pittsburgh. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

September 26, 1922. District No. 11, held at Holidaysburg, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; ROY C. STORMER, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Bedford R. A. Chapter, No. 255; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Companions of the various Chapters of the District, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Mount

Moriah R. A. Chapter, No. 166, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

September 27, 1922. District No. 4, held at Columbia, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; JOHN H. BENNETT, District Deputy Grand High Priest; EDWARD W. RUSHTON and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains. The three degrees were rehearsed, the Degree of Mark Master Mason by Corinthian R. A. Chapter, No. 224; the Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason by Yorktown R. A. Chapter, No. 304, and the Degree of Royal Arch Mason by Howell R. A. Chapter, No. 199, with the assistance of Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. An address was delivered by Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

#### INFORMAL VISITATIONS.

January 10, 1922. To Girard Mark Lodge, No. 214, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions THOMAS MCCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, District Deputy Grand High Priest.



January 23, 1922. To Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companion A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

February 3, 1922. To Harmony R. A. Chapter, No. 52, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

February 15, 1922. To Bangor R. A. Chapter, No. 274, at Bangor. The Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was conferred.

February 27, 1922. To Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

March 11, 1922. To Phoenix R. A. Chapter, No. 198, at Phoenixville, accompanied by Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was conferred.

March 13, 1922. To Howell R. A. Chapter, No. 202, at West Chester, accompanied by Companions WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain.

The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

April 7, 1922. To Harmony R. A. Chapter, No. 52, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

April 24, 1922. To University R. A. Chapter, No. 256, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer, and ROBERT G. SMITH, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

May 12, 1922. To Palestine R. A. Chapter, No. 240, at Philadelphia, on the occasion of its Fiftieth Anniversary, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH and ROBERT G. SMITH, District Deputy Grand High Priests.

June 26, 1922. To Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companions A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest, and WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was conferred.



October 6, 1922. To Harmony R. A. Chapter, No. 52, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, District Deputy Grand High Priest; GEORGE W. WELLBURN and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

October 6, 1922. To Apollo R. A. Chapter, No. 307, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companions GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, District Deputy Grand High Priest; GEORGE W. WELLBURN and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplains. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

October 10, 1922. To Monessen R. A. Chapter, No. 290, at Monessen, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King, and JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred by Past High Priests of the Chapter.

October 11, 1922. To Oxford R. A. Chapter, No. 223, at Oxford, accompanied by Companions WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest; ROBERT A. WALKER, Grand Royal Arch Captain; GEORGE Q. DOWNS, Most Excellent High Priest, Chapter No. 258, and WILLIAM E. MINGIN, Past High

Priest, Chapter No. 234. The Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was conferred.

October 17, 1922. To Pottstown R. A. Chapter, No. 271, at Pottstown, accompanied by Companions GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; J. HOWARD S. BARNES, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM J. BYRNES, Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

October 18, 1922. To Columbia R. A. Chapter, No. 91, at Philadelphia, on the occasion of its One Hundredth Anniversary, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; GEORGE P. DARROW, Most Excellent Grand Scribe; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was conferred.

October 23, 1922. To Media R. A. Chapter, No. 234, at Media, accompanied by Companions A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest, and WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain. The Degrees of Mark Master Mason and Most Excellent Master Mason were conferred.

October 30, 1922. To Lewistown R. A. Chapter, No. 186, at Lewistown, accompanied by Companions



JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Most Excellent Grand Treasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary, and ROY C. STORMER, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was conferred.

November 7, 1922. To Kennett R. A. Chapter, No. 275, at Kennett, accompanied by Companion WESLEY R. MORGAN, District Deputy Grand High Priest. The degree of Royal Arch Mason was rehearsed.

November 8, 1922. To Philadelphia R. A. Chapter, No. 169, at Philadelphia. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was rehearsed.

November 22, 1922. To Kensington R. A. Chapter, No. 233, at Philadelphia. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

November 27, 1922. To University R. A. Chapter, No. 256, at Philadelphia, accompanied by Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary. The Degree of Mark Master Mason was conferred.

January 26, 1922. To Scranton, accompanied by Companion ROBERT D. COLE, Principal of the Capitular School of Instruction at Philadelphia, to establish a branch of the Capitular School. All capitular degrees rehearsed.

October 31, 1922. To Pittsburgh School of Instruction, accompanied by Companions JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; EDMUND W. BOOTS and GEORGE W. RODGERS, District Deputy Grand High Priests. The Degree of Most Excellent Master Mason was rehearsed.

November 22, 1922. To Philadelphia School of Instruction. The Degree of Royal Arch Mason was rehearsed.

#### CAPITULAR SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

It may be truly said that our three Capitular Schools of Instruction constitute a major asset of Grand Chapter.

Companion ROBERT D. COLE is Principal of the School at Philadelphia, Companion JAMES C. WEIR of the School at Pittsburgh, and Companion RUFUS T. STROHM, of the School at Scranton.

Each of these three faithful servants of Grand Chapter has associated with him a corps of efficient instructors, and all are working together as a harmonious whole, communicating the correct ritualistic work, including all floor movements, etc., under direction of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, who is the sole custodian of said work, to any and all Chapter officers ready to receive instruction. Attention of all High Priests is called to the fact that arrangements may be made to have an instructor sent to any Chapter in the Jurisdiction by applying



to the Principal of the School nearest to place of meeting of the Chapter desiring this service. Thus, there is no valid excuse for any Chapter in our great Capitular family failing to get the correct work.

In this connection it is gratifying to note that arrangements are well advanced for a fourth school, located at Wilkes-Barre, soon to be fully functioning with the three named, and others will doubtless be organized in the not distant future.

#### GRAND CHAPLAINS.

January 18, 1922. Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain, was requested to visit Bangor R. A. Chapter, No. 274, at Bangor, to make an address on Royal Arch Masonry, at the solicitation of the Most Excellent High Priest.

March 3, 1922. Companion FRANCIS M. TAITT, Grand Chaplain, was requested to visit Harmony R. A. Chapter, No. 52, at Philadelphia, to make an address on Royal Arch Masonry, at the solicitation of the Most Excellent High Priest.

April 7, 1922. Companion WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, Grand Chaplain, was requested to visit Harmony R. A. Chapter, No. 52, at Philadelphia, to make an address on Royal Arch Masonry, at the solicitation of the Most Excellent High Priest.

December 11, 1922. Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, was requested to visit

Howell R. A. Chapter, No. 202, at West Chester, to make an address on Royal Arch Masonry, at the solicitation of the Most Excellent High Priest.

December 19, 1922. Companion EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain, was requested to visit Lewistown R. A. Chapter, No. 186, at Lewistown, to make an address on Royal Arch Masonry, at the solicitation of the Most Excellent High Priest.

#### CONCLUSION.

Before this report comes to a close it is but fitting that I should pay a well-deserved tribute to those whose co-operation has made possible whatever has been accomplished during the present administration.

The elected and appointed officers, in season and out of season, often at great personal sacrifice and inconvenience, have rendered a service which proves their devotion and fidelity to the lofty ideals of Capitular Masonry. By their works they have been known. No Grand High Priest has ever been blessed with a group of Companions who have been more willing to do what they could, and I can wish for my successor in office no greater blessing in his work than to be surrounded with a group of Companions equally willing and equally zealous to advance and raise to an even higher level our great Fraternity of Royal Arch Masonry.



It is said of the great CECIL RHODES, of South African fame, that when he lay on his deathbed he said: "So much to do, so little done." As I lay down the sceptre of authority and resign my station to another it is with much the same feeling, for when I consider that we have not by any means accomplished all that we set out to do, I might express myself as did this distinguished man: "So much to do, so little done."

Companions, the record of performance is before you. When you entrusted to me this high station I promised to do my best. I have endeavored to keep my promise, and I trust that the record is such as to merit your approval and "stand the test of the Grand Overseer's square."

So much of the minutes of the Quarterly Communication held December 7, 1921, as refers to the election of Grand Officers was read.

All of the Companions present who had not received the Order of High Priesthood having retired, Companion JOHN M. CORE was installed *Most Excellent Grand High Priest of The Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania and Masonic Jurisdiction Thereunto Belonging*, was duly proclaimed as such, and received the salutations of the Craft.

The Companions who had retired were readmitted, when the following Grand Officers were severally in-

stalled, and were duly proclaimed, and received the salutations of the Craft:

Companion GEORGE P. DARROW, *Most Excellent Grand King*.

Companion WALTON K. SWETLAND, *Most Excellent Grand Scribe*.

Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., P. G. H. P., *Most Excellent Grand Treasurer*.

Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, P. G. H. P., *Most Excellent Grand Secretary*.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Companion JOHN M. CORE, addressed Grand Chapter as follows:

*Companions of Grand Chapter:*

“Let not him that putteth on his armour boast himself as he that taketh it off.” In accordance with the Divine precept, I approach the station and assume the responsibilities you have placed upon me with deep humility.

The illustrious example of sixty-five Companions, who in the one hundred twenty-seven years of this Grand Chapter's existence have occupied this station impel me to the most strenuous endeavor to perform to the best of my ability the duties of this great office. The tremendous energy with which these duties have been performed during the past two years may



well give one pause lest the high standard attained may be lowered.

From a fairly close contact with the Chapters throughout the Jurisdiction I feel safe in saying the work was never so uniform as at present. It shall be our aim to maintain the standard already set.

The policy of rehearsal in Districts and parts of Districts will be continued, the results obtained in the last two years fully justifying its continuance. We are not ambitious that Chapters shall become degree mills alone. We shall endeavor to have a portion of the time devoted to an explanation of the teachings of Masonry.

The day is past when the Chapter is considered a stepping-stone, necessary to be crossed to reach other fields supposed to be Masonic, but which are not. It is up to all the officers to teach and insist that in the Chapter is reached the summit and perfection of Ancient Craft Masonry.

All officers, both Grand and Subordinate, should realize and teach that the requirement of membership in a Masonic Lodge as a prerequisite to membership in some other organization does not make that organization Masonic. When this fact is thoroughly understood by Master Masons then will the degree of Royal Arch Mason come into its own. Such instruction, we believe, should be given by competent Companions in every Chapter in the State.

In this age the right of every organization to exist is questioned. Many new schemes are being launched to benefit mankind. We continually hear the cry, Lo here, or Lo there is truth to be found. It is only as our Fraternity, through its teachings, makes men better that we can hope to continue. This charges the Officers and Companions with a grave responsibility.

In the very foundation of our Government is written Masonic principles and Masonic teachings, and we firmly believe it is one of our great missions as Masons to uphold the Government against the assaults of false ideals "Made in Germany." The teachings of the anarchist, by whatever name it is called, is as opposite to the teachings of Freemasonry as light is to darkness.

The stabilizing influence of Royal Arch Masonry in this country will go far towards counteracting the noisy vaporings of the socialistic class who would substitute force by classes for individual effort and honest labor.

To the end that our members get a clear conception, as we view it, of our duty to God and our fellow man, it is absolutely necessary that they who teach these lessons must themselves know them. This is the reason for insistence that all officers entrusted with teaching the pure principles of our Fraternity must themselves be proficient therein.



And now, my Companions, may we all work together in unity and concord, dispensing Masonic light to our uninformed Brethern. My prayer is that I may be given strength, grace and wisdom to perform the duties you have assigned to me.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest directed the Most Excellent Grand Secretary to announce the following appointments:

#### APPOINTMENTS.

##### *District Deputy Grand High Priests.*

A. Companion ALBERT S. HOULDSWORTH, of Philadelphia, for Chapters Nos. 52, 175, 226, 243, 248, 284, 307 and Girard Mark Lodge, No. 214, in Philadelphia.

B. Companion ROBERT G. SMITH, of Philadelphia, for Chapters Nos. 3, 169, 183, 240, 251 and 256, in Philadelphia.

C. Companion SAMUEL K. LOUCHHEIM, of Philadelphia, for Chapters Nos. 91, 208, 232, 233, 250, 308 and Excelsior Mark Lodge, No. 216, in Philadelphia.

1. Companion J. HOWARD S. BARNES, of Norristown, for the Counties of Bucks and Montgomery (except Chapter No. 262), and Chapter No. 198, of Chester County.

2. Companion WILLIAM J. BYRNES, JR., of Ardmore, for the Counties of Chester (except Chapter

No. 198) and Delaware, and Chapter No. 262, of Montgomery County.

3. Companion MILTON E. GINGRICH, of Lancaster, for the Counties of Berks, Lancaster (except Chapter No. 224) and Lebanon.

4. Companion JOHN H. BENNETT, of York, for the Counties of Adams and York, and Chapter No. 224, of Lancaster County.

5. Companion CHARLES R. ROBERTS, of Allentown, for the Counties of Lehigh, Monroe, Northampton and Pike.

6. Companion CHARLES H. TILTON, of Scranton, for the Counties of Lackawanna, Susquehanna and Wayne, and Chapter No. 205, of Wyoming County.

7. Companion CHARLES H. WEAVER, of Wilkes-Barre, for the Counties of Luzerne and Sullivan, and Chapters No. 161, of Bradford County, and No. 172, of Wyoming County.

8. Companion FRANK C. YINGST, of Port Carbon, for the Counties of Carbon and Schuylkill, and Chapter No. 264, at Shamokin.

9. Companion WILLIAM F. SHAY, of Watsonstown, for the Counties of Columbia, Montour, Northumberland, Snyder and Union (except Chapter 264).

10. Companion ARTHUR W. GILLAN, of Chambersburg, for the Counties of Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Juniata and Perry.



11. Companion ROY C. STORMER, of Johnstown, for the Counties of Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fulton, Huntingdon and Mifflin.

12. Companion JAMES H. REEDER, of Williamsport, for the Counties of Centre, Clinton and Lycoming, and Chapter No. 261, of Bradford County, and Chapter No. 228, of Clearfield.

13. Companion JOHN P. ANDERSON, of Ridgway, for the Counties of Elk and McKean (except Chapter No. 254), and Chapter No. 227, of Cameron County.

14. Companion FREDERICK J. WANDALL, of Coudersport, for the Counties of Potter and Tioga, and Chapter No. 254, of McKean County.

15. Companion THOMAS N. McKEE, of Kittanning, for the Counties of Armstrong, Butler, Clarion, Indiana and Jefferson.

16. Companion GEORGE W. RODGERS, of Pittsburgh, for Chapters Nos. 162, 193, 217, 257, 268, 286, 288, 297 and 299, of Allegheny County.

17. Companion JAMES W. MYERS, of Crafton, for Chapters Nos. 280 and 300, of Allegheny County, and Nos. 150, 294 and 305, of Washington County.

18. Companion EDMUND W. BOOTS, of Pittsburgh, for Chapters Nos. 282, 285, 289, 303 and 306, of Allegheny County; No. 249, of Washington County, and No. 290, of Westmoreland County.

19. Companion JOHN A. ARMSTRONG, of Connells-ville, for the Counties of Fayette, Greene, Somerset and Westmoreland (except Chapter No. 290).

20. Companion HUGH M. MARQUIS, of New Castle, for the Counties of Beaver, Lawrence and Mercer.

21. Companion PETER BARKEY, of Erie, for the Counties of Crawford and Erie (except Chapter No. 207, of Crawford County).

22. Companion CHARLES E. COOPER, of Oil City, for the Counties of Forest, Venango and Warren, and Chapter No. 207, of Crawford County.

*Trustees.*

M. E. Comp. JOSEPH E. QUINBY, P. G. H. P.

M. E. Comp. DAVID J. DAVIS, P. G. H. P.

Comp. GEORGE W. SEEDS.

*Grand Chaplains.*

Comp. REV. WILLIAM B. CHALFANT, D. D., of Philadelphia.

“ REV. JOHN G. WILSON, D. D., of Philadelphia.

“ REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON, of Wayne.

“ REV. GEORGE W. WELLBURN, D. D., of Scranton.

“ REV. FRANCIS M. TAITT, of Chester.

“ REV. WILLIAM H. MICHEALS, of Media.

*Grand Captain of the Host.*

Comp. HARRY M. McDONALD, of Chapter No. 283.



*Grand Principal Sojourner.*

Comp. P. FRANCIS STRUPPLER, of Chapter No. 185.

*Grand Royal Arch Captain.*

Comp. ROBERT A. WALKER, of Chapter No. 223.

*Grand Master of Third Vail.*

Comp. FRANCIS L. BORIE, of Chapter No. 256.

*Grand Master of Second Vail.*

Comp. RALPH C. MINEHART, of Chapter No. 286.

*Grand Master of First Vail.*

Comp. WILLIAM B. KROPP, of Chapter No. 52.

*Grand Marshal.*

Comp. AUGUST P. KUNZIG, of Chapter No. 243.

*Senior Grand Master of Ceremonies.*

Comp. GEORGE B. HANNUM, of Chapter No. 284.

*Junior Grand Master of Ceremonies.*

Comp. RICHARD P. MOGRIDGE, of Chapter No. 208.

*Grand Pursuivant.*

Comp. HAYES H. DUNCAN, of Chapter No. 183.

*Grand Tyler.*

Comp. WILLIAM B. JOSLYN, of Chapter No. 175.

*Committee on Jurisprudence.*

M. E. Comp. HIBBERT P. JOHN, P. G. H. P.

“ “ EDGAR A. TENNIS, P. G. H. P.

“ “ MICHAEL W. JACOBS, P. G. H. P.

“ “ H. OSCAR KLINE, P. G. H. P.

“ “ WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, P. G. H. P.

“ “ CARL A. SUNSTROM, P. G. H. P.

“ “ A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, P. G. H. P.

“ “ GEORGE B. WELLS, P. G. H. P.

“ “ THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., P. G. H. P.

“ “ DAVID J. DAVIS, P. G. H. P.

“ “ JOSEPH E. QUINBY, P. G. H. P.

In conjunction with the Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

*Committee on Appeals.*

M. E. Comp. H. OSCAR KLINE, P. G. H. P.

Comp. REUBEN A. ZIMMERMAN.

“ JOHN C. TAYLOR.

“ WILLIAM A. RHOADS.

“ HENRY G. BRUNER.

*Committee on Finance.*

M. E. Comp. A. G. CRISWELL SMITH, P. G. H. P.

Comp. WILLIAM M. DONALDSON.

“ E. MARSHALL HARVEY.

“ McCLUNEY RADCLIFFE.

“ R. E. UMBEL.



*Committee on By-Laws.*

M. E. Comp. CARL A. SUNDSTROM, P. G. H. P.

Comp. A. HOWARD THOMAS.

“ FENTON H. MIDDLETON.

“ WILLIAM R. SUTCH.

“ JOHN A. PERRY.

*Committee on Correspondence.*

M. E. Comp. WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, P. G. H. P.

Comp. H. FRANKLIN BROSSMAN.

“ EDWARD W. RUSHTON.

“ HARRY J. BELL.

“ ELI EDMUNDSON, JR.

*Committee on Charity.*

M. E. Comp. EDGAR A. TENNIS, P. G. H. P.

Comp. CHARLES S. WOOD.

“ GEORGE F. GARSIDE.

“ CHARLES T. GILDEN.

“ AZOR HUNT.

*Committee on Printing and Publishing.*

Comp. LOUIS M. WAGNER.

“ JAMES W. R. WASHINGTON.

“ FRANK E. TOWNSEND.

“ MURRAY GORGAS.

“ ROBERT W. VOGT.

*Capitular Schools of Instruction.*

## MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA.

*Instructors.*Comp. ROBERT D. COLE, *Principal.*

“ JOHN FETCH.

“ HENRY S. HAZLETT.

“ BENJAMIN BISWANGER.

“ IRVIN BRANDEIS.

“ CLARENCE R. BROOKS.

## MASONIC TEMPLE, PITTSBURGH.

*Instructors.*Comp. JAMES S. WEIR, *Principal.*

“ FREDERICK R. GLASSER.

“ JOHN W. BRANDON.

“ JOHN BELL, JR.

## MASONIC TEMPLE, SCRANTON.

*Instructors.*Comp. RUFUS T. STROHM, *Principal.*

“ ALEXANDER P. CLARK.

“ JACOB A. FRANTZ.

“ DAN. E. CARPENTER.

“ FREDERICK G. FARNHAM.

“ CHARLES E. CLARKE.

“ FRANK E. HAUNSTEIN.



The Most Excellent Grand Secretary announced the re-appointment of Companion WARREN T. WALKER as Assistant Grand Secretary and asked Grand Chapter to confirm the same. Upon motion duly made the appointment was unanimously confirmed.

The Grand Chapter was closed in Peace at nine o'clock and forty minutes P. M.

GEORGE B. WELLS,  
*Grand Secretary.*

In Memory of  
**Past High Priests, Deceased**

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NAME	CHAPTER	DIED
JOHN E. POORE .....	No. 3	July 19, 1922
CHARLES C. SCHRIVER .....	" 21	Apr. 1, 1922
HENRY S. KELLER .....	" 52	Aug. 13, 1922
M. HENRY GREEN .....	" 91	Apr. 6, 1922
GURDON L. BULL .....	" 161	June 27, 1922
DANIEL C. CLOUS .....	" 152	May 18, 1922
HENRY C. PORTER .....	" 161	June 7, 1922
LEWIS W. FOGG .....	" 165	Apr. 2, 1922
JOHN P. JACOBS .....	" 166	Aug. 13, 1922
WILLIAM B. DUNLAP .....	" 167	Apr. 19, 1922
LOUIS A. RAY .....	" 170	Jan. 6, 1922
G. AVERY MILLER .....	" 172	Nov. 14, 1922
GEORGE M. BEBLER .....	" 173	Feb. 14, 1922
HOWARD A. HARTZELL .....	" 173	Sept. 24, 1922
HARLAND A. DENNEY .....	" 180	Sept. 26, 1922
JAMES H. WILHELM .....	" 181	Dec. 28, 1921
ELWOOD M. KUNTZ .....	" 181	Feb. 14, 1922
JOHN C. BELL .....	" 182	Nov. 27, 1921
WILLIAM D. WHITE .....	" 182	Dec. 6, 1921
HARRISON C. WHAREN .....	" 182	Nov. 9, 1922
CHARLES W. BURKART .....	" 183	Jan. 20, 1922
CHARLES CHIPMAN .....	" 183	Aug. 5, 1922
JAMES F. WARDLE .....	" 185	Apr. 30, 1922
HENRY J. FOSNOT .....	" 186	May 4, 1922
WILLIAM A. RUPERT .....	" 187	Feb. 8, 1922
GEORGE W. KUEBLER .....	" 189	Jan. 6, 1922
DAVID A. LITTLE .....	" 189	Oct. 16, 1922
THOMAS J. BAKER .....	" 190	Apr. 22, 1922
WILLIAM E. PERRY .....	" 190	June 15, 1922
J. COVODE REED .....	" 192	Jan. 21, 1922



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JAMES G. LOWREY .....	" 196	Apr. 16, 1922
WALTER MacFEAT .....	" 198	Feb. 8, 1922
DANIEL F. LAFEAN .....	" 199	Apr. 18, 1922
RICHARD J. FAUST .....	" 201	May 5, 1922
ALEXANDER ELLIOTT .....	" 201	Oct. 6, 1922
AUGUSTUS F. SHICK .....	" 203	Mar. 6, 1922
WILLIAM H. HULSIZER .....	" 204	Jan. 15, 1922
WILLIAM H. ELVERSON ....	" 206	Sept. 18, 1922
JOHN McNEILL .....	" 208	Mar. 25, 1922
CHRISTOPHER WREN .....	" 214	Apr. 16, 1922
JEROME L. STERNBERG .....	" 215	Jan. 2, 1922
J. SAMUEL KRAUSE .....	" 216	Dec. 29, 1921
WILLIAM H. PAINTER .....	" 222	Jan. 7, 1922
JOHN P. WINCHESTER .....	" 223	Dec. 5, 1921
JOSEPH LEEKE .....	" 223	Nov. 1, 1922
HENRY F. YERGEY .....	" 224	June 5, 1922
ALEXANDER R. CRAIG .....	" 224	Sept. 4, 1922
ELMER E. PEARSALL .....	" 225	Mar. 8, 1922
WILLIAM J. DURYEA .....	" 226	Aug. 20, 1922
J. WILLIAM PANCOAST .....	" 232	Jan. 3, 1922
CHARLES CRANE, Jr. ....	" 232	Jan. 23, 1922
WILLIAM F. TRACEY .....	" 232	Aug. 27, 1922
JOHN R. M. CURRY .....	" 239	Jan. 5, 1922
WILLIAM K. WEST .....	" 239	Mar. 24, 1922
WILLIAM L. SIDLER .....	" 239	July 23, 1922
WILLIAM R. MURPHEY .....	" 240	Dec. 5, 1921
S. E. BURKE KINSLOE .....	" 240	Nov. 25, 1922
WILLIAM FREAR .....	" 241	Jan. 6, 1922
JOHN S. McCARGAR .....	" 241	Apr. 23, 1922
EDWIN N. OHL .....	" 244	Sept. 3, 1922

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ABRAHAM T. CLAYTON . . . .	" 245	June 6, 1922
FRED H. KNIGHT . . . . .	" 246	Sept. 16, 1922
ORVILLE H. TEBAY . . . . .	" 247	Dec. 25, 1921
CHARLES J. JESSOP . . . . .	" 247	Mar. 7, 1922
JOSEPH R. NACE . . . . .	" 248	Sept. 29, 1922
JAMES A. AUSTIN . . . . .	" 249	June 10, 1922
LEWIS S. WESSELS . . . . .	" 250	Sept. 10, 1922
HARRY T. KINGSTON . . . . .	" 251	Jan. 11, 1922
ELISHA FILER, JR. . . . .	" 252	Aug. 1, 1922
OLIVER B. MOSS . . . . .	" 256	Jan. 8, 1922
ELIJAH TAYLOR . . . . .	" 256	Oct. 21, 1922
ALVIN E. MASTEN . . . . .	" 257	Nov. 22, 1921
JOHN S. WALLACE . . . . .	" 257	Nov. 22, 1921
JONATHAN L. FORWOOD . . . .	" 258	June 4, 1922
E. EVERITT VAN DYNE . . . .	" 261	June 21, 1922
WILLIAM H. YOUNG . . . . .	" 262	Jan. 28, 1922
FRANK B. FRENCH . . . . .	" 263	1921
JOHN F. OSLER . . . . .	" 264	Mar. 2, 1922
HENRY S. ZIMMERMAN . . . .	" 264	Aug. 28, 1922
CHARLES H. SWEEZY . . . . .	" 265	Mar. 31, 1922
C. NORMAN STEEN . . . . .	" 267	Oct. 30, 1922
HARRY T. MOLLOY . . . . .	" 270	Jan. 12, 1922
JAMES T. RAYNER . . . . .	" 274	Feb. 20, 1922
HILLORIOUS K. BENDER . . . .	" 274	May 8, 1922
EPHRAIN B. HOPPOCK . . . .	" 274	Oct. 3, 1922
AMANTES M. EBY . . . . .	" 277	Sept. 17, 1922
SHELDON V. HAYES . . . . .	" 280	Dec. 29, 1921
WILLIAM E. LEWIS . . . . .	" 280	Sept. 20, 1922
ALBERT W. NICHOLSON . . . .	" 285	Sept. 15, 1922
JAMES T. WOODRING . . . . .	" 291	Apr. 30, 1922
JAMES D. SMETTEM . . . . .	" 296	Nov. 24, 1921
WILLIAM E. HAWLEY . . . . .	" 298	Aug. 15, 1922

REPORT  
OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The list following shows all the Grand Chapters in correspondence with this Grand Chapter and to whom the reviews were assigned:

ANNUAL  
CONVOCATION.

Alberta .....	March	} WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, P. G. H. P.
Alabama .....	December	
Arizona .....	November	
Arkansas .....	November	
British Columbia .....	June	
California .....	April	
Canada .....	January	
Colorado .....	September	
Connecticut .....	May	
Delaware .....	January	
District of Columbia .....	February	
England .....	May	
England and Wales .....	December	
England, Grand Mark Lodge ...	June	
Florida .....	May	} H. FRANKLIN BROSSMAN.
General Grand Chapter .....	September	
Georgia .....	April	
Idaho .....	June	
Illinois .....	October	
Indiana .....	October	
Iowa .....	July	
Ireland .....	December	
Kansas .....	February	
Kentucky .....	October	
Louisiana .....	February	
Maine .....	May	



Maryland .....	November	} EDWARD W. RUSHTON.
Massachusetts .....	December	
Michigan .....	January	
Minnesota .....	October	
Mississippi .....	February	
Missouri .....	April	
Montana .....	Septeniber	
Nebraska .....	December	
Nevada .....	June	
New Brunswick .....	August	
New Hampshire .....	May	
New Jersey .....	May	
New Mexico .....	October	} HARRY J. BELL.
New South Wales .....	February	
New York .....	February	
North Carolina .....	June	
North Dakota .....	June	
Nova Scotia .....	June	
Ohio .....	October	
Oklahoma .....	April	
Oregon .....	June	
Quebec .....	March	
Rhode Island .....	March	
Scotland .....	March	
South Carolina .....	February	} ELI EDMUNDSON, JR.
South Dakota .....	June	
Tennessee .....	January	
Texas .....	December	
Utah .....	May	
Vermont .....	June	
Victoria .....	October	
Virginia .....	November	
Washington .....	June	
West Virginia .....	November	
Wisconsin .....	February	
Wyoming .....	March	

The custom of former years has been followed, namely: The alphabetical distribution of the several Jurisdictions.

All Grand Chapters whose proceedings have been received by our Grand Secretary have been given careful consideration, and we present to the Capitular world our review. We have in some instances differed with some of the Grand Chapters on some subjects affecting the best interests of Capitular Masonry; in these differences we have not condemned their views, but have defended ours, basing our claims largely on the fact that Capitular Masonry on the American continent had its origin in Pennsylvania, and it is fair to presume that the rules and regulations then adopted, and the work of the several degrees as then conferred, have been closely adhered to, and that the adoption of our system of Capitular Masonry by other Jurisdictions would greatly advance the interests of Capitular Masonry.

Uniformity of work has been a hobby with the writer for many years, and it is a satisfaction to have lived to see it an established fact in our Jurisdiction.

Am not satisfied with uniformity alone in Pennsylvania, but hope for it in all English-speaking Chapters, wherever located, especially in the United States. We are one people, one nation, and should be one in the great Fraternity of Free Masons. Who among the many distinguished Free Masons of our nation will rise up and be the leader in the great work?

Free Masons are firm believers in the good government and the making the United States an ideal na-

tion; hence, in the perilous times of today we have a duty to perform in aiding the Government in freeing itself from the spirit of Bolshevism, communism and socialism developing in parts of our country.

Prosperity still attends Capitular Masonry—not to as great an extent as last year, but enough to satisfy all. It appears to the writer that the Master Mason is being better educated in Symbolic Masonry, therefore is more anxious to learn the completion of Ancient Masonry. We conclude that in the near future the percentage between the membership in Symbolic Lodges and Subordinate Chapters will greatly diminish.

Not a cloud darkens the Masonic horizon, but peace and harmony prevails in Masonry. The question of the sovereignty of Grand Chapters has been settled, not only for the present, but for all time. The possibility of any future trouble is very remote.

The lack of attendance at Chapter meetings is a source of general complaint with all Chapters. We incline to the belief that the fault is not wholly with the members themselves, but that the manner in which the business and work of the average Chapter is conducted contribute its share. Let every High Priest in the Jurisdiction resolve that in the New Year he will redouble his endeavors to increase the attendance by making the meetings of his Chapter so interesting, and the work so well and correctly rendered, that it will arouse great enthusiasm among the



members, the cause for complaint will disappear, and all will work together in harmony.

Today we enter upon a New Year. What will the harvest be? It is for the members to determine. Let us resolve to make it a success.

W. B. M.

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### ALBERTA.

The Eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Alberta was held in the City of Calgary, Province of Alberta, on Wednesday and Thursday, the 8th and 9th of March, 1922.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at two o'clock P. M., by Most Excellent Companion NORMAN T. MACLEOD, Past Grand Z., acting as Grand Z. All of the Grand Officers were present; also four Past Grand Principals and representatives of twenty-three subordinate Chapters.

M. E. Companion HIRAM DARLING, Grand Z., was not able to be present at the Annual Convocation held March 9 and 10, 1921, and was, at the request of his Grand Chapter, installed in the Grand Chapter of Canada, at their Annual Convocation held at Hamilton, Ontario, on February 23, 1922.

The acting Grand Z.'s address is short, but fully covers his official acts.

He issued a number of dispensations, one being for the formation of a new Chapter at South Edmonton,

and refused one to form a Chapter at Bassam. His visitations were principally to Chapters of Instruction.

The report of the Grand Second and Third Principals reviews their official acts and visitations to Chapters of their respective districts.

The reports of the Grand Superintendents are interesting chapters in the history of their Grand Chapters.

The Grand Scribe's report shows the past year to have been successful, both financially and numerically, the membership being, December 31, 1921, twenty-six hundred twenty-nine (2629), a net increase during the year of one hundred and thirty-nine (139).

The financial statement shows an excess of assets over liabilities of three thousand two hundred eighty-one dollars (\$3281).

The reports of the various standing committees show Capitular Masonry to be in a flourishing condition in Alberta.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was prepared by Past Grand Z. M. E. Companion MELVIN M. DOWNEY. It is an able one. In reference to the recognition of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Queensland they recommend that consideration of this matter be postponed for one year. He quotes

from the different addresses at our one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary. His selections are all good.

An engraving of M. E. Companion HIRAM DARLING, Grand Z. for 1921, and M. E. Companion NORMAN T. MACLEOD, Grand Z. for 1920, are printed with the proceedings.

M. E. Companion GEORGE B. McLEOD was elected Grand Z., and R. E. Companion EDWARD G. IRONSIDE was elected Grand Scribe E. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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### ALABAMA.

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama held their Ninety-fifth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Montgomery, on Monday, December 5, 1921.

Grand Chapter was opened in due form by Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest, Companion ROBERT T. WARD, at one o'clock P. M. All Grand Chapter officers except the Grand Chaplain were present; also twelve Past Grand High Priests and the representatives of seventy-nine subordinate Chapters were present.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest, being in his office, was escorted into the Grand Chapter Hall, was received with Grand Honors and conducted to his



station in the East. We find that there are some in Alabama who agree with the writer on this subject.

The next action of the Grand Chapter was the receiving and welcoming M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America. His reception was most cordial, deservedly so, as he is one of the most distinguished Masons on the American continent, a great credit, not only to his home State of Missouri, but to the Masonic Fraternity of the American continent. He was welcomed by the Grand High Priest. In reply expressed thanks for the welcome extended him and his pleasure at being present.

M. E. Companion GEORGE FLEMING MOORE, Past Grand High Priest of Alabama, and Past Grand Commander of the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, was escorted into Grand Chapter Hall, welcomed and invited to a seat in the East.

The Grand High Priest read his address. It is lengthy, able and sound in every respect. Contains much, particularly in the introduction, that is both good Masonry and good Americanism. While we believe in short reviews, we are compelled, in this case, to trespass upon the good nature of the Committee on Publication and give a considerable portion of the introduction.

“In the retrospect we find that we have been human; that we have erred; that we have been forgetful of the teachings of the Craft and neglected ourselves, our homes, our country; but a review of the Order presents a picture beautiful in the portrayal of the progress of the Craft in rounding out a citizenship strong in brotherhood and so well grounded in the true ideal of democracy that the enemies of free government will be forced finally to accept its precepts, and in their awakening rejoice in the glory and educational toning of liberty and freedom; that freedom that guards the equality of man; that brings the Great Deity in worship according to the dictates of one's conscience and holds forever inseparable civil and spiritual government.

“Let us never forget our mission; let us ever be watchful that the household may be faithful, ever developing more harmony and cohesion among the Craft, remembering that the acme of Masonic life is complete service to humanity; that its field of activity is the advancement and betterment of mankind and an unfaltering devotion to our blessed and glorious country, the United States of America.

“This hour of our life demands our most loyal, patient and consecrated patriotism to our country. Though the great war, in all its horrors, is ended and master minds are now engaged in advancing thoughts and policies to save mankind from its future horrors and to guarantee or safeguard the world from another such catastrophe and to bring about peace among the nations of the world; yet we are not secure, for in the aftermath, we find a school of thought which, if unchecked, will destroy the fundamentals of life and the principles of free government. We should never forget that thought that is dangerous is both insidious and destructive. The torch of Bolshevism and its corollaries is burning fiercely in the lands of the world and our blessed country. The best remedy for the destruction of such thoughts is a true educational advancement and the passage of such immigration laws as will guarantee our country against such immigrants, and then the seeds of thought, which have been sown, in their interaction with other thoughts will run its course of action and die, and the sequel will be a safe and salutary thought for mankind.

“Companions, always teach that our system of government is ideal and that its machinery will redress any wrong. Exemplify always the beautiful tenets of our Order and your example will not only be an influence but an inspiration for life, and the seeds of discord, unrest and anarchy will not grow, but will disappear under the interdependencies of man—‘All for each and each for all.’

“In the great International Conference for Disarmament, we see much encouragement for the establishment of that policy which, if followed, will eventually guarantee permanent peace. But in the present, we must realize that the ambition for power and gain is still strong in nations and



individuals and that the power of force must be retained for its restraint. A potent fact in disseminating the true principles of the brotherhood of man and of nations is the practice by all Companions of the teachings, the principles, and the tenets of our Craft. Does not the hour demand our constant watchfulness?

“In our own State, adverse conditions have developed a spirit of unrest, and in the financial reconstruction, we should do nothing to retard the educational programme and the educational advancement of our State, county and country schools. The light and enlightenment gained from our educational progress should not be shadowed in the retrenchment of finances, and the standard, which we have so bravely and nobly advocated, should not be lowered.

“There is nothing in the history of our Order that justifies the conclusion that it is a religious Order, but its entire faith is founded in the Universality of God. It is for all men who believe in God and possess character and who believe in character building. Denunciations from the head of the Papacy only strengthen us in our efforts to reach our ideal in citizenship and to give to our country that loyalty and patriotism that is due from every good citizen. We deplore the propaganda of the Knights of Columbus, whose every allegiance is to the Pope and whose very existence rests in his favor, and whose eligibility to membership alone is in being a communicant of the church of Rome. Politically we owe no allegiance to any one but our country. Spiritually our allegiance is only to our God. Apparent obstacles only strengthen us in our allegiance to the tenets of our Craft and give us more determination to go forward as teachers of those principles which finally will give a democracy unto mankind. Companions, ever be active in watchfulness.”

He issued three dispensations to organize new Chapters and two dispensations to reorganize Chapters. A large number of dispensations were issued for various Masonic purposes, among them, a number to ballot out of statutory time and confer the Degrees, giving as a reason “that it was to the interest of the Craft.” Is it a good reason?

He made a number of decisions, most of which would meet the approval of Pennsylvania.



In closing he uses the following:

“Beloved Companions, your confidence, partiality and esteem has brought to me and mine a heritage, priceless and golden. Words fail me and thoughts are lost in the ocean of emotions, when I attempt to convey to you my appreciation and gratitude for the exaltation to the highest office within your gift in an Order that has stood and will ever ‘stand proudly erect in the sunshine and clear light of Heaven, with not a marble fractured, nor a pillar fallen,’ ever sustained and clasped in the ‘ivy of filial affection.’ ”

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance of eighty-six hundred and forty-eight and 73/100 dollars (\$8648.73).

The report of the Grand Secretary shows the membership, October 15, 1921, to be twelve thousand four hundred and fifty-six (12,456), a gain during the year of sixteen hundred and ninety-one (1691).

The event of the meeting was the address of M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. It certainly was an admirable address, and should be read by Masons generally, but its great length prevents quoting it *in toto*. An extract is all we can give this in reference to Free Masons.

“In my journey through the Masonic vineyard, and by using a sort of mental measuring stick on all Masons that I chanced to meet, they naturally divide themselves into three classes: the King Solomon Freemason, the philosophical Freemason, and the intelligent, practical Freemason.

“By the ‘King Solomon Freemason’ is meant that credulous man who swallows every fable, myth, tradition and Masonic gossip, as actual facts and history.

“He believes that King Solomon was the first Grand Master, and that the two Saints John were Master Masons, and that the Fraternity of Freemasons was actually organized and founded by King Solomon, and that we are still using the ritual that he prepared. He fails utterly to

grasp the symbolism and beauty that lies underneath it all. Freemasonry to such, is a mere secret society, with certain mysterious signs, grips and words. He is proud to be a member of this 'great and ancient secret society' with its wonderful secrets of giving correctly certain words, taking certain steps, and passing through a gymnastic exercise called signs. His Masonic conception does not rise any higher than that of the primitive man who formed and to whose age belongs the 'secret society.' The conception that Freemasonry is not a 'secret society,' but a brotherhood has not dawned in his intelligence, and that signs, steps and grips are mere incidentals; perhaps, useless remnants of its evolution. It is fortunate that the 'King Solomon Mason' is slowly, too slowly, disappearing from our Lodges. Happy will it be when we can exultantly say: '*Requiescat in pace.*'

"The philosophical Freemason is the one who is ever up in the clouds, whose feet never touch the ground, who is forever lost in a fog bank of metaphysical speculation; often erudite, scholarly and broad in his sympathies, but so interested in attempting to solve what he thinks is the riddle of the universe, that mother earth and the mortals who dwell thereon are forgotten. He chases the digit, three, five, seven and nine, around the world, becomes entangled in his triangles, cubes, and rectangles, until humanity is forgotten, and as it was said of the Greek philosophers, they were so interested in metaphysical abstractions that they overlooked the hungry that lay dying at their door.

"It is said that the most dangerous man with a revolver, next to a bandit, is a policeman. It may also be said that the most dangerous man in the intellectual and moral universe is a Freemason with a symbol. He can see in it and through it more things than were ever dreamed of by ordinary mortals. But the philosophical Freemason is useful, as it may set the 'King Solomon Mason' to thinking—which is something he never did before.

"The third class, and I rejoice that the number is increasing with wonderful strides, is the intellectual and practical Freemason. He is a reading, thinking, studious Freemason, who sees in it, above all things else, the doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man; who will use his knowledge, however meagre or great, for practical ends. Who sees in Freemasonry a brotherhood, dependent and interdependent, who believes and practices that humanity needs less of abstract, philosophical cobwebs, and theological dogma, but more of cheer; less of Egyptian Rites, now mummified, but more of good will; less imaginary symbols, but more of love; less of 'tithes of mint and anise and cumin,' but more of mercy, faith, and charity; who will recognize, whatever his creed may be, more fully the beautiful life and teachings of Him, who 'was set as a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel.' "



The proceedings also contain the address of Brother WARREN G. HARDING, President of the United States, delivered at the laying of the cornerstone of the New Masonic Temple, Birmingham, Alabama. It is a plea for peace. It contains some beautiful thoughts, of value to Masons. Especially we quote:

“I think there are some wrong impressions about the Masonic Order. I happen to come in contact with some of them in my official work. I know nothing about it, in a single note I ever heard sounded, that is not in consonance with the best thought and the best aspiration, and the highest conception of American justice I have ever known from any quarter. (Applause.) I know I am a better citizen for being a better Mason. Sometimes—and there are moments of anxiety when one wonders what the morrow will bring forth—but I can say it publicly—I find myself heartened, my courage strengthened, and my hopes refreshed, because I know there is this great Fraternity which is ever ready to give of its all for the maintenance of law and order and of our government.” (Applause.)

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was again prepared and submitted by Past Grand High Priest M. E. Companion LAWRENCE H. LEE, Chairman. He has already established a high standard, and don't propose to lower it. Pennsylvania receives courteous treatment. He can't exactly understand how M. E. Companion DAVID J. DAVIS can be both a Grand High Priest and at the same time Past Grand High Priest. At the expiration of the time for which he was first elected he became a Past Grand High Priest. By re-election and installation he again becomes Grand High Priest.

The things that can't be done in Pennsylvania are what makes her great in Free Masonry.



Every High Priest in Pennsylvania, when installed into office, receives the order of High Priesthood.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest will be found on the first page of the proceedings.

M. E. Companion ROBERT T. WARD was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion GEORGE A. BEAUCAMP was re-elected Grand Secretary.

They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## ARIZONA.

The Thirty-second Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Arizona was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Tucson, on Wednesday, February 15, 1922.

R. E. Companion FRANK G. BROWN, Deputy Grand High Priest, acting Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter at two o'clock P. M. All stations and places were filled by the elected or appointed officers. Twelve Past Grand High Priests and representatives of ten warranted Chapters and one under dispensation were present.

M. E. Companion CHARLES E. PHILBROOK, Grand High Priest, died December 29, 1921, at his home, in the City of Bisbee, and R. E. Companion ARIOCH WENTWORTH, Grand King, died March 1, 1921.

Within the Masonic year these two faithful, efficient and true Companions were called to their Heavenly Home. Their loss was greatly mourned by the Companions of Arizona.

R. E. Companion FRANK G. BROWN, Deputy Grand High Priest, acting Grand High Priest, presented his address. He reviews the proceedings of the Grand Chapter. He speaks the feelings and sentiment of the Grand Chapter when referring to the death of the Grand High Priest and Grand King.

He incorporates in his address a communication of the General Grand High Priest which is of value to the Companions of the Jurisdiction.

He issued a dispensation to a number of members to open and form a new Chapter at Miami.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows the assets of the Grand Chapter to be eleven thousand eight hundred and six and 12/100 dollars (\$11,806.12).

The report of the Grand Secretary shows the membership, December 31, 1921, to be eleven hundred and eighty-one (1181), a gain of sixty-two during the year. The Grand High Priest regards the gain as a substantial one, considering the general financial conditions of the State.

M. E. Companion FAY HEMPSTEAD, Past Grand High Priest and Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Arkansas, being in waiting, was escorted

into the Grand Chapter, received with grand honors, and seated in the East.

The various committees made their reports, which were approved by Grand Chapter.

Resolutions favoring the "Towner Sterling Bill" in reference to education was approved.

The Committee on Correspondence made no report. An engraving of the Grand High Priest for 1921 will be found on the first page.

M. E. Companion FRANK GOLDERIC BROWN was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion GEORGE JAMES ROSKRUGE was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## ARKANSAS.

The Seventy-second Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Arkansas was held in the Albert Pike Consistory, in the City of Little Rock, on Thursday, November 17, 1921.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at nine o'clock A. M. by M. E. Companion N. C. McCrary, Grand High Priest, the Deputy Grand High Priest being the only absentee. Thirteen Past Grand High Priests and representatives of sixty-eight Chapters were present.



The Representatives of other Grand Chapters near the Grand Chapter of Arkansas were welcomed, as also the Grand Master of Arkansas and the head of the General Grand Council. The distinguished Companions responded to their welcome.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest presented his address. It is a good one. He pays his respects to the character of foreign immigration coming to our shores, as may be seen by the following:

“Uncertainty and unrest pervade our land, while we endeavor to cautiously search out and find a safe and sane solution of the problems confronting us.

“Capital and labor, like ferocious beasts, are grappling at each other’s throats, while the many who are made to suffer stand back appalled at the inability of those who would bring about an amicable and permanent adjustment of the evils complained of, which would result in a just and equitable solution of these vexing questions and thereby bring order and tranquillity to an anxious and expectant people.

“Foreign immigration of a low, ignorant and vicious type has been permitted to enter our ports in great numbers and spread over our nation like a mighty sea, carrying with it a pernicious propaganda and influence detrimental to our economical, social and moral welfare, and threatening to strike at the very existence of American civilization.

“Ignorance being the great enemy to our American institutions, this foreign element, following blindly the teachings of an intolerant and dogmatic spiritual advisor and director to whom they owe allegiance above that of any state or nation, is not in accord with our educational system, and can only, after a long period of time, and at great expense, become assimilated and be made a part of our citizenship; and we are confronted with the fact that we must Americanize them or they will Europeanize us. This influence is a menace and a hindrance to our progress and advancement spiritually, morally and socially.

“A great crime wave, the aftermath of the World War, is sweeping over our land, leaving in its wake a lowered standard of morals, disrupted homes and blasted lives. The violation of the prohibition laws paves the way for the violation of all other laws, and many whose duty it is to enforce this law wink at and condone its violation.

“These things call for a re-emphasis of the Masonic virtues—Justice, Brotherly Love and Truth, and gives to every Mason an opportunity to aid in rebuilding our moral and social temple, using only good work, true work, and square work for the good of mankind and giving heed to the appeal of the helpless orphans and defenseless widow.

“At this trying time we need watchmen on the towers, whose courage, consecration to duty and fidelity will enable them to sound the warning and defend to the last our loved and cherished hopes and faith.”

He enjoyed his attendance at the meeting of the General Grand Chapter, but could not approve the Royal Arch Degree as conferred by the Grand Chapter of Missouri. The following are his views:

“The Royal Arch degree was conferred by the Grand Chapter of Missouri, according to the new ritual of the General Grand Chapter, but it did not suit Arkansas, as they conferred the degree on seventeen at one time, while we in Arkansas adhere to the time-honored custom and landmark of only three at one and the same time, and as we could not conscientiously sit by and see the work ‘staged’ in such a way, we very cautiously and quietly retired, each giving expression to the thought that ‘The Arkansas way is good enough for me.’ ”

He issued quite a number of dispensations for various purposes, some to receive, vote upon petitions, and confer degrees without waiting the statutory time. He presents a fairly good apology for issuing these dispensations. Time will determine whether he was justified in setting aside the Constitution, but what is the Constitution among friends?

Dispensations were issued for the formation of three new Chapters.

A number of decisions were made, all of which are good Masonic law.

He quotes the action of the General Grand Chapter in the Towner Sterling Educational Bill. We still in-



cline to the belief that education should be under State control, but would welcome the aid of the National Government. Illiteracy should be stamped out in the nation. We believe it could be done by the enactment of stringent compulsory educational laws, with their rigid enforcement.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a balance on hand of five thousand eight hundred and forty-seven and 37/100 dollars (\$5847.37), as of November 16, 1921.

The Grand Secretary's report shows the present membership to be six thousand nine hundred fifty-five (6955), a net gain of five hundred and forty-eight (548) during the year.

The report of the Committee on Jurisprudence approves of his decisions, but disapproves his recommendations.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence makes a brief review of all proceedings received. Pennsylvania receives kindly notice.

An engraving of the newly installed Grand High Priest is on the first page.

M. E. Companion JAMES W. OGLESBY was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion JOHN C. BONE was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.



## BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of British Columbia met in their Fourth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Prince Rupert, B. C., on June 24, 1922.

M. E. Companion DANIEL H. MORRISON, Grand Z., opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form*. All Grand Chapter officers were present, also two Past Grand Z.'s, and representatives of seventeen subordinate Chapters.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest read his annual address. He gives in full detail his actions as Grand High Priest. He performed his duties faithfully.

He issued dispensations for the formation of two new Chapters, both of which are proceeding under favorable circumstances. A number of dispensations, all within the provisions of the Constitution, were issued.

He made but one decision or ruling, that a Companion cannot hold two elective offices at the same time. Good Masonic law.

He made eight official visits. He found the work well done, almost perfection. He regrets his inability to visit all Chapters.

He concludes by thanking the officers for their loyal support, and the Companions for the high honor conferred upon him. Expresses his parting sentiment as follows:

“I can find no better words to express my parting sentiment that those of the immortal Goethe, and sincerely wish for each of you—  
‘Health enough to make work a pleasure,  
Wealth enough to support your needs,  
Strength enough to battle with difficulties to overcome them,  
Grace enough to confess your sins and forsake them,  
Patience enough to toil until some good is accomplished,  
Charity enough that shall see some good in your neighbor,  
Cheerfulness enough that shall make others glad,  
Love enough that shall move you to be useful and helpful to others,  
Faith that shall make real the things of God, and  
Hope that shall remove all anxious fear concerning the future.’  
and may God’s richest blessing abide with you and yours is my earnest prayer.”

Both Grand H. and J. made brief reports reviewing their official visits and other transactions.

The Grand Superintendent’s report shows the true condition of Capitular Masonry in the Jurisdiction.

The report of the Grand Registrar was presented. This is virtually a new officer. His duty is to obtain information of the important actions of the subordinate Chapters, for the purpose of laying the foundation for a historical record of the Grand Chapter. A wise purpose.

The Grand Treasurer’s report shows a balance on hand, June 15, 1922, of fifteen hundred and eighteen and 16/100 dollars (\$1518.16), with a balance in the

Charity Fund of one thousand and twenty-five and 15/100 dollars (\$1025.15).

The report of the Grand Scribe E. shows the membership, December 31, 1921, to be twenty-one hundred and seventy-seven (2177), a net gain during the year of one hundred and twenty (120).

The report of the Ritual Committee recommended that the Ritualistic work and signs of the Grand Chapter shall be uniform throughout the Jurisdiction. Perfectly correct. When once the work and signs are uniform it should be enforced to the letter.

The Committee on the Grand Z.'s address approved all his acts.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was prepared and presented by R. E. Companion JOHN W. PRESCOTT. It is his third report. It is up to his former reports. We regard it as a good one. We receive favorable notice.

An engraving of the retiring Grand Z. is on the first page.

M. E. Companion C. F. SHERWIN was elected Grand Z., and R. E. Companion JOHN W. PRESCOTT was re-elected Grand Scribe E. They were installed.

W. B. M.



## CALIFORNIA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of California assembled in the Masonic Temple, San Francisco, on Tuesday, April 18, 1922, for the purpose of holding their Sixty-eighth Annual Convocation.

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion MATTISON B. JONES, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M. All Grand Chapter officers, seven Past Grand High Priests, and the representatives of one hundred and three warranted Chapters and of five Chapters under dispensation were present.

A large number of distinguished Masons were present, among them being the Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California, the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of California, a number of Grand Lodge officers and others.

The Grand High Priest then read his address. He refers to the duties and responsibilities of the Grand High Priest. He truthfully says:

“On the twentieth of April of last year you elected me as Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of California, and commissioned me to a great task in the interest of Capitular Masonry in particular and Masonry in general. I accepted your commission with what I thought at the time was a somewhat clear conception of the many and important duties of the exalted station; but I confess to you today that my conception was too circumscribed to be commensurate with the facts. It is hard to clearly know the fullest extent of the duties pertaining to the office I have held for the past Capitular year. The full and complete performance of those

duties is quite beyond the ability of the usual man who has duties to perform to himself, to his family and to his profession. The very magnitude of the matter challenges the courage, determination, faithfulness, loyalty, devotion and all the powers of body, mind and spirit of the man to the task. The magnitude of the task and its consequent responsibilities make one to seriously fear how far short his utmost endeavors in the premises have fallen of the coveted mark. The honor of the station, consideration and affection of the Companions, and the conscientious efforts to measure up to the challenge form a pleasing counterpart to whatever failure there may have been in meeting the responsibilities.

“I cannot give to a Grand High Priest of this Grand Jurisdiction or of any other Grand Jurisdiction a greater experience and satisfaction than have been mine as your Grand High Priest. I have looked upon my work as being devoted to the best interests of human kind in general and to the Companions of this Grand Jurisdiction in particular. It is for them to judge as generously and considerately as they may the sum total of that work. The evidence is all in, and the case is about to be submitted. If the verdict can be that I have faithfully tried to lift Masonry to a higher plane of action and of conduct, and to summon to the side of God and man the powers, physical, mental and spiritual, of my Brethren and Companions, I shall have at least been partially satisfied. I doubt seriously if satisfaction ever attends the performance of a great and sacred trust; for it is human to err and limitations ever surround human endeavor.”

He put the Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King, Grand Scribe, Grand Captain of the Host and Grand Royal Arch Captain to work. He assigned to each of them a certain number of the nineteen districts for their general supervision, etc., claiming if the Grand High Priest be the Major General, his subordinate officers should be his active brigadier generals—a good idea.

He issued a number of dispensations, several of which we believe set aside the provisions of the Constitution and By-laws.

He made a number of decisions, two authorizing, in one case the conferring the Royal Arch Degree

and the other Most Excellent Master's Degree, in the hills in the vicinity of the Chapters. We expressed our opinion on this subject last year. Will only add that no degree in Free Masonry should be conferred except within the tyled doors of a Lodge or Chapter Hall.

He made a large number of Grand Visitations and attended a number of receptions. He was courteously received and every consideration shown him by the members.

He attended the meeting of the General Grand Chapter at Ashville on his homeward journey. He visited his native State of Kentucky, and had the pleasure of visiting and addressing the Grand Chapter of Kentucky. He also attended the Grand Lodge and Grand Council of Royal and Select Masons of Kentucky. It was a week of enjoyment to him.

He made a large number of recommendations, all of which were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Under the head of "Law Enforcement" he strongly urges the rigid enforcement of the laws enacted by the people.

He makes a strong, earnest and just plea for the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment. We quote an extract from his address on this subject:



“The great World War has left in its wake the usual lack of respect for law and order under the law. Even officers of the law in many instances are aiding and abetting others in holding up to scorn the execution of laws that do not meet with their personal approval. I fear that the great city of Chicago has had a number of things to disgrace her in the years past; but I am persuaded to believe that Chicago has experienced but few, if any, more humiliating experiences than when, on the 11th of last January, a resolution demanding that the City Council favor the enforcement of the Volstead Act, so long as it is a law, was voted down by 47 to 12. Here we see an illustration of the contempt in which certain officers of the law hold a certain law of the land. The people of the United States through their chosen methods and channels adopted the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, and, subsequent thereto, the people of the United States enacted the Volstead law. If the laws of our country, so solemnly and after full consideration enacted by the people, cannot be enforced, then the end of the Republic is already determined. But the laws, national and State, of this country can be enforced, and will be enforced, by the better element of the people in the fear of God and without fear of man. I here and now declare that any executive, Federal or State, should enforce the law or confess his failure and resign his office. It is not for him to ask why, but rather to do or die. In order for law to be truly respected, it must be administered with equal and exact justice to all classes of our citizenship. Favoritism has no place among a free and enlightened people. Without law and order under the law, chaos reigns and the people suffer.

“Under the law of trusts we find the trustor who creates the trust, the trustee who administers the trust, the trust to be administered and the beneficiary for whose benefit the trust exists. Usually the trustor, trustee and beneficiary are different persons, things or entities, but in a nation like ours we find that the people are both the trustors and beneficiaries, the officers of the government are the trustees, and the government is the trust. The American people are determined to hold to true account the trustees of the great trust committed to their hands. If the Volstead law, or any other law of the nation, be not what in its totality is for the best interests of the people, such law will be modified or repealed by the people. I appeal to Royal Arch Masons and to Masons generally of California to stand four-square at all times for the enforcement of the law of the land, and to that end to valiantly support and strengthen the hands of the faithful officers and to openly condemn the officers who fail to do their sworn duty. Our beloved country was established by law-abiding citizens, and it must endure by virtue of its law-abiding citizenship. I cannot find fault with the oppressed and persecuted of Europe, who, to escape the oppression and persecution of their native land, seek the freedom and the

liberty of the American Republic; but, my Companions, the American people in the name of freedom and liberty cannot afford to receive and harbor in this country any man or set of men who come to our shores determined to undermine, overthrow and destroy the freedom and liberty vouchsafed to our people under the law. Such characters, immediately upon their real intent becoming known, should by the force of law be deported to the land of their native soil. Masonry in all its phases has ever stood for law and order, for patriotism, for loyalty to the flag. On the records of King Solomon's Lodge, of Poughkeepsie, New York, made in the year 1781, stands the unchanged condemnation of a traitor to the American people: 'It is ordered that the name of Benedict Arnold be considered obliterated from the records of this Lodge as a traitor.'

"I am reminded in this connection of the direful prophecy of Lord McCauley, as he looked down the years at the great and young Western Republic. Said he:

" 'Your Republic will be as fearfully plundered and laid waste in the twentieth century as the Roman Empire was in the fifth century; but your Huns and Vandals will have been engendered within your own institutions.'

"I cannot go further now than to summon Masons everywhere to their full duty to their God, their country, their families and themselves."

We, as Masons, must admit that Free Masonry has a spiritual significance. We have never seen it put in better terms than by the Grand High Priest.

"We find in the lecture in the Royal Arch degree this significant statement:

" 'And, my Companions, if, in all these things, you have seen only a series of unmeaning rites, if the spirit of truth has not applied to your hearts the morals of these ceremonies, then indeed have we labored in vain and you have spent your strength for naught.'

"What is the meaning intended here? The 'morals of these ceremonies' are not for the physical, nor even for the mental, but for the spiritual, that which will abide forever. I believe with Dr. Mackey when he says that the ineffable name of Deity symbolized the search of mankind for the understanding of God. If, then, as we go in search of the long lost M. M. W., we are seeking really to know the Omnipotent, Omnipresent and Omniscient ONE and His purposes concerning us, to what heights of bliss may not the spirit soar in His sunlight?

"Masonry, no less than the church, must recognize the truth that he who would have his life must lose it. The truths of Ancient Craft



Masonry are founded upon the teachings of the Old Testament. Well then may we ask, what of their spiritual significance? The truths of modern Masonry are founded upon the teachings of the New Testament. Well again may be asked, what of their spiritual significance? Both the Old and the New Testaments were written for the needs of men. We firmly believe that both the church and Masonry were instituted for the needs of men. While I would emphasize my positive belief in the spiritual significance of Masonry, yet I would be equally emphatic in saying that Masonry is not a religion, is not a church. It is, however, when properly practiced an aid to religion, to the church. Masonry was never intended to supplant or be a substitute for the church. The two institutions are complements to each other, and should always co-operate in the great work of bringing men to know that they were created to glorify God and serve mankind. Masons should, therefore, be aware of the false assertion of some of the fraternity that 'Masonry is my church.'

"I give you here a beautiful acrostic on the Keystone:

" 'Happy is he whose thoughts can bear  
The rigid test of the unerring Square,  
Who through life unfalteringly has trod  
Steadily toward his Maker and his God,  
Seeking by acts of charity and love  
To gain admission into the Lodge above,  
Knowing that the Stone in the rubbish cast  
Shall crown our Master's work at last.' "

The Grand Treasurer's report shows the Grand Chapter to be in an excellent financial condition, he having in his hands fourteen thousand three hundred and seven and 28/100 dollars (\$14,307.28), and the net assets of the Grand Chapter sixty-eight thousand eight hundred and seven and 28/100 dollars (\$68,807.28).

The Grand Secretary's report shows the membership, April 1, 1922, to be nineteen thousand two hundred and forty-four (19,244), a net gain during the year of two thousand and four (2004).



The Grand Lecturer's report is very interesting, and repays reading.

The Committee on Jurisprudence approves the recommendations of the Grand High Priest, among them the "Towner Sterling Educational Bill."

The Committee on the Amalgamation of Chapters and Councils recommend that no action be taken by the Grand Chapter at this Convocation. The Committee are evidently not hunting trouble.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was prepared by R. E. Companion MAX A. PLUMB, Chairman. It is a good report on the topical plan. Must confess that we prefer the old-fashioned plan of reviewing each Grand Chapter separately. It appears he did not examine the proceedings of the three largest Grand Chapters in the preparation of his report, namely, Illinois, New York and Pennsylvania. Probably these proceedings did not reach the Grand Secretary.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest is on the first page.

M. E. Companion HIATT TISDALE HIATT was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion THOMAS L. DAVIS was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

## CANADA.

The Royal Arch Masons of Canada held their Sixty-fourth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Hamilton, Province of Ontario, on Wednesday, February 22, 1922.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM N. PONTON, Grand Z., opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M. Many of the Grand Chapter officers and the representatives of one hundred and twenty-seven subordinate Chapters were present.

A civic welcome was tendered the Grand Chapter by the Mayor and Council of Hamilton, the introduction of the Mayor being made by a distinguished Mason, R. E. Companion Sir JOHN GIBSON. The welcome was responded to by the Grand Z.

An address of welcome was also presented by the four Chapters of Hamilton and responded to by the Grand Z.

The Grand Z. presented his address. It is fully up to the high standard of former addresses delivered by this remarkable man and Mason. First he refers to the Grand Z., M. E. Companion HERBERT S. GRIFFIN, M. D., who died July 1, 1921, at his home in the City of Hamilton.

In his reference to the Masons of the United States and Canada we quote:

“I believe this linking up of the Masons of the United States and the Masons of Canada—as the interpreters of the British Empire—is at the present time of a special value and significance, and one of the many factors in securing permanent and productive peace—honest and stable friendship and closer association of the Anglo-Saxon peoples through the Masonic media of interchanging and interlacing of ideas and thoughts, meeting face to face and heart to heart, in these trysting places—these clearing-houses of ideals and sentiments and mutual good-will. Let us realize the power of the English language which we speak together—a glorious heritage—and mark the generous spirit of our representatives at the Conference at Washington. They ring true. ‘United we stand.’ As President Harding, President and Brother and Companion, said recently: ‘A common language and the common source from which we have taken our institutions have laid the foundations of accord’—to which we add, the common aims and purposes, common law, common lineage, and common interests. Be ours the task to furnish and build upon such a foundation a stable structure and mutual understanding, and may the life of our two nations under Old Glory and the Union Jack flow in a gracious stream of friendship and peace during the glorious years of the future.”

He was frequently asked, “What is Masonry? What is Royal Arch Masonry?” These questions have been asked many thousand times, and will continue to be asked until time ends. Many answers have been given, but none that entirely satisfies. We now give the answer of the Grand Z. of Canada:

“*What is Masonry? What is Royal Arch Masonry?* I have been asked more often this year than in any other, to crystallize the answer to this universal question in a ‘Short Form of Conveyance’ of thought. It does not satisfy to reply that it is Wisdom, Strength and Beauty all in one. It does not satisfy to say that it is good ‘in substance and in form’—and stands the test of the great Overseer’s Square. It does not wholly satisfy, though it pleases, to say that it is a guild of friends wherein all rank is levelled save such as may be conferred by all on one:—a living organism where love, relief and truth dwell in the hearts of boon companions. It does not satisfy to say that though it belongs to the ages whence the memory of man runneth not to the contrary, yet it is not a fossil, not a museum, not a stratum, and certainly not an abstraction—not a mushroom; that though its taproots go deep, its sap flows freely—its leaves and sheaves and fruits are always ripe for harvest in the vineyard of those who make



of it a real labor of love. It is a living force—with dynamic penetrativeness to those whose hearts are not adamant; yet it has been well termed the wise and gentle Craft—composed of Nature's Gentlemen of 'brave and affable demeanor'—who put in more than they take out and who should strive at least to live up to the ideal of mediæval excellence.

“ ‘*Nihil tetigit quod non ornavit*’—

“He touched nothing that he did not adorn. Sixty-six years ago, *Blackwood's Magazine* tried to answer this question by paying tribute to the Wisdom of the Ancients—who passing knowledge and fraternal greetings from lip to ear, knew as we know the 'password of our forefathers,' and knew too that Masonry was and is like the Church Militant—a ladder and line of communication, a channel of service, whereby constructive men of good will, with good working tools, are privileged to assist in rebuilding the temple of Humanity, and restoring confidence in a world of doubt. No, we finite mortals cannot adequately answer the great inquiry through a glass darkly, but we should not forget that Masonry is a fountain, not a cistern—and like life not a goblet to be drained but a measure to be filled—nor should we when searching for the answer forget what we owe, not to the traditional, but the *vital* past.”

He sent a cablegram by wire to Princess MARY and her betrothed. The Princess replied with grateful thanks.

His closing is beautiful—such as would be expected from such a finished scholar, eloquent man and distinguished Mason.

The reports of the Grand Superintendents take up considerable space, and are interesting reading. They are a detailed history of the various Chapters during the year.

Then followed the reception of distinguished visitors from Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Michigan. We were represented by M. E. Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Grand High

Priest; M. E. Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Past Grand High Priest and Grand Treasurer, and Companion E. MARSHALL HARVEY. Addresses were delivered by a number of the visitors, among them M. E. Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Grand High Priest.

The honorary rank of Past Grand Z. was conferred upon R. E. Companion Sir JOHN GIBSON.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows the investments to be fifty-two thousand four hundred and eighty-seven and 66/100 dollars (\$52,487.66).

The report of the Grand Scribe E. shows the membership, December 31, 1921, to be twenty-five thousand nine hundred and eighty-six (25,986), a net gain during the year of twenty-four hundred and sixty-one (2461).

The Committee on "Condition of Capitular Masonry," under the head of "Progress and Prosperity" reports as follows:

"Notwithstanding business depression and disturbed conditions during the past year there has been satisfactory and gratifying progress throughout the entire jurisdiction.

"Your Committee again urge that no First Principal shall aim at a 'record-breaking year.' His thoughts should be on obtaining the best material for the Temple and so shaping and adorning it as to make it a useful and creditable part of the structure. Anxiety to have it a big year tends towards carelessness and indifference to close a thorough scrutiny.

"There should be extreme caution and wise consideration of all applications, ever remembering that it is the internal not the external qualifications of a man which should recommend him for acceptance.



“A wise selection followed by full instruction and the practice of whole-hearted Masonic friendship will go far to promulgate among the Companions and through them to the outside world those leading characteristics of the Order—Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.”

R. E. Companion EDWARD B. BROWN presented a report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence. He recommends that action on the application for recognition of the Grand Chapter of Queensland be withheld until the next Annual Convocation. The report or review of the Grand Chapter is complete, in keeping with his former reports. We receive a three-page review, a synopsis of our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary. In reply to his reference to the writer we say “Thanks.”

An engraving of the present Grand Z., M. E. Companion RICHARD HENRY SPENCER, is on the first page.

M. E. Companion RICHARD H. SPENCER was elected Grand Z., and R. E. Companion HENRY T. SMITH was elected Grand Scribe E. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## COLORADO.

The Forty-seventh Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado was held in the Masonic Temple, Denver, on Thursday, September 22, 1921.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M. by M. E. Companion MARK B. GILL. All



Grand Officers were present; also fifteen Past Grand High Priests and the representatives of forty-seven subordinate Chapters.

The reception of the flag then followed. It is an appropriate custom.

The Grand High Priest presented his address. It is short, but fully covers his actions as Grand High Priest.

He issued a number of dispensations. Some would seem to require a change of By-laws.

He made eight official visitations. In closing he says:

“The preparation room should be as sacred as one’s own home, and no levity permitted, so that in the end, lessons taught should have a deep and lasting impression upon our minds and conscience.”

The wisdom of his words cannot be questioned. Solemnity should be observed not only in the preparing room, but throughout all Masonic work.

The Grand Treasurer’s report shows the assets of the Grand Chapter to be twenty-seven thousand three hundred eight-seven and 81/100 dollars (\$27,387.81).

The Grand Secretary’s report shows the membership was, on July 31, 1921, seventy-five hundred and eighty (7580), a net gain during the year of three hundred and eighty-eight (388).

The report of the Committee of Correspondence was prepared by M. E. Companion ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER, Past Grand High Priest, Chairman. It shows that the Chairman has prepared thirty-four Annual Reports of the Committee. This has only been surpassed by two, one M. E. Companion DRUMMOND, of Maine, who made thirty-five or thirty-six reports, and M. E. Companion SCHULTZ, of Maryland, who made thirty-five Annual Reports, and is only equalled by M. E. Companion E. D. T. CHAMBERS, of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, who presented thirty-four Annual Reports. M. E. Companion ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER is still willing to serve his Grand Chapter. Our hope is that his life may be spared for many years to come, and remain Chairman of the Committee of Correspondence. He is the senior Past Grand High Priest.

In the report he made a careful review of forty-four Grand Chapters. It is up to his usual standard. It is his thirty-fourth report. Pennsylvania receives a two-page review. Under the head of Rhode Island he quotes an extract from the address of the Grand Chaplain, which we give.

“Freemasonry as we know it, is inseparable from religion. The idea of God confronts the candidate at the threshold of the Blue Lodge. Its ceremonies are of Biblical origin. Its degrees are designed to teach the great verities of true religion. The selections from the Bible, the frequency of prayer, the solemn warnings that look to the life beyond, the brotherly admonitions that constantly recur, the sacredness of the very name of Deity as exemplified by the Master, whenever invoking the name—all this is designed to impress the candidate and to remind the members of the fact that reverence for God should be the very atmosphere of true Masonry.”

The Grand High Priest issued a memorial on the death of R. E. Companion CHARLES HENRY JACOBSON, who served as Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Colorado from September 21, 1900, until his death, February 20, 1921. He was also Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge and Grand Commandery of Colorado.

An invitation was received from Rocky Mountain Consistory to participate in the laying of the cornerstone of the new Scottish Rite Cathedral No. 2, A. and A. S. R. It was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which reported that it was not wise to accept, certainly a wise conclusion.

An engraving of the Grand High Priest for the present year, M. E. Companion SAMUEL J. SWEET; Past Grand High Priest M. E. Companion MARK B. GILL, and R. E. Companion CHARLES HENRY JACOBSON, deceased, Grand Secretary, are published with the proceedings.

M. E. Companion SAMUEL J. SWEET was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion WILLIAM W. COOPER was elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.



## CONNECTICUT.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Connecticut held four emergent Convocations during the year, namely: January 6, 7, 13 and 14, the purpose of each emergent Convocation being to constitute new Chapters. Thus Chapters Nos. 49, 50, 51 and 52 were added to their roll.

The One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Convocation was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Hartford, Tuesday, May 9, 1922.

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion EDGAR B. ELLIS, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at ten o'clock A. M. All Grand Officers were present, together with fifteen Past Grand High Priests and representatives of every Chapter in the Jurisdiction.

The first act after opening Grand Chapter was the reception of distinguished visitors from New Hampshire, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Canada, General Grand Chapter, Grand Council of R. and A. Masons and Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, quite an array of distinguished Masons. Our Jurisdiction was represented by M. E. Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Grand High Priest; JOHN M. CORE, Grand King; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Grand Treasurer, and GEORGE B. WELLS, Grand Secretary. They were introduced, welcomed and received with Grand Honors.

The Grand High Priest presented his address. It is quite lengthy. His year's work is given very fully to the members. We quote his introduction:

“The past year has been indeed a very busy one for the Grand Officers. We have had the pleasure of adding to the number of subordinate Chapters by constituting four new ones. It has been nearly sixteen years since a new Chapter has been constituted, the last being Lockwood Chapter No. 48, at Wallingford, on October 26, 1906.

“While about all the Chapters throughout our Grand Jurisdiction are still very busy, the great demand for admission has somewhat abated, and we are gradually returning to normal conditions. While numbers are to be desired, the one great object of the Royal Craft is to impress upon the candidates the sublime lessons of the degrees, which, in many cases, where large classes have been rushed through, may have failed to accomplish the desired results.”

He attended the meeting of the General Grand Chapter; was pleased with his reception; refers to it, approving the educational work of some Grand Chapters, urging the adoption of the Towner Sterling Educational Bill, and gives the vote on the defeat of the revision of the Constitution one hundred and forty-three to ninety-four.

He made a large number of visitations. Was cordially received, and found the work well done. In summing up his visitations he says:

“There is no place in any Masonic ritual for the introduction of a circus or jest at the expense of the candidate. If the clean ceremony of the ritual, which is intended to teach and illustrate great truths, does not appeal to the officers of a Chapter, then a mistake has been made in their election.

“It has been brought to my attention that in many Grand Jurisdictions, in conferring the degrees of Capitular Masonry, there is often a spirit of cruelty manifested and the degrees are conferred in such a manner as to be painful and humiliating to the candidates. I believe that this



General Grand Chapter desires in the most positive manner to express its unqualified disapproval of such practices.

“The degrees in all Masonry are intended to elevate the intellectual and moral character of those who take them, and therefore should be conferred in the most dignified manner, and nothing should be said or done which would in the least embarrass, humiliate or be painful to any candidate. We should always remember that the purpose of Masonry is to make a good impression upon the minds of our members and to give them higher ideals and to inspire them to purer and more helpful and nobler lives. Anything which in the least departs from this high standard is un-Masonic, and should be promptly suppressed by the officers of the Grand and Subordinate Chapters.”

He visited a number of other Grand Jurisdictions, among them Pennsylvania. He also visited Canada, and was deeply impressed with what he saw.

He made a number of decisions, all good Masonic law, especially one in reference to certain proceedings in conferring the Royal Arch Degree, which should meet the approval of all true Companions.

He endeavored to secure first-hand information as to the condition of Masonry in the Jurisdiction by sending a questionnaire. He was successful in getting the desired information.

The Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King and Grand Scribe each perform a portion of the work of Grand Chapter, mainly in visiting and inspecting subordinate Chapters, which they have faithfully performed.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a balance in his hands of six thousand one hundred and seven and 40/100 dollars (\$6,107.40).



The Grand Secretary's report shows the membership April 30, 1922, to be fourteen thousand three hundred and ninety (14,390), a net gain during the year of twelve hundred and sixty-three (1263).

The Committee on Ritual report that they have given all questions presented careful consideration, and that in no case have they permitted our Ritual "Hindoo Theology" to be changed, which is certainly proper.

M. E. Companion GEORGE A. KIES presented the report of Correspondence (the fourteenth). His reports are models, and this one equals any of the former ones. Under "Idaho" he says:

"On the very proper refusal of a Grand High Priest to grant a hurry-up dispensation so that a candidate could become quickly eligible to the Shrine, he sarcastically remarks:

" 'It is too bad to deny a Companion such a rare privilege! His object was evidently the Shrine when he started to take the intermediate degrees, for which he doubtless cared but little. It is here admitted with humiliation that if it were not for the Shrine the number of candidates for the Chapter degrees would materially decrease.' "

We certainly concur, and say "Amen" to every word. Again in reference to "The Order of De Molay for Boys" we quote:

"A Kansas City Chapter, Order of DeMolay for Boys, conferred the degrees of that Order before Grand Chapter. In this corner of the universe, it is difficult to see what this has to do with Royal Arch Masonry.' "

We say emphatically that nothing should or properly can come before a Grand Chapter, except matters relating to Masonry, and say "Amen" to your

sentiment. Under our own Jurisdiction we concur in his views as to making "Royal Arch Masons at sight." It is of doubtful propriety, and should be sparingly used, with the hope that it may become a dead letter. We receive very courteous treatment, and appreciate his reference to the writer.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest will be found on the first page.

M. E. Companion ARTHUR N. NASH was elected Grand High Priest, and M. E. Companion GEORGE A. KIES was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## DELAWARE.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Delaware held their Fifty-fourth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Wilmington, on Wednesday, January 18, 1922.

M. E. Companion W. HARRY LEWIS, Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at four o'clock P. M., with all Grand Officers present, also eleven Past Grand High Priests and representatives of the five subordinate Chapters of the Jurisdiction.

Distinguished visitors from the Grand Jurisdiction of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and West Virginia were introduced and welcomed.

Pennsylvania representatives were M. E. Companions JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Grand High Priest; THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Past Grand High Priest and Grand Trasurer; GEORGE B. WELLS, Past Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary, and REV. EDWARD W. RUSHTON, Grand Chaplain. Each addressed Grand Chapter, Companion RUSHTON's subject being "The Spiritual Interpretation of Capitular Masonry."

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion W. HARRY LEWIS, presented his annual address, in which he gives to the members of the Grand Chapter his actions during the year.

He granted but one dispensation; that was for Chapter No. 4, authorizing the High Priest to open the Chapter at 5 o'clock P. M., instead of 7.30 P. M., as provided by the By-laws. We do not have a copy of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Delaware, hence can't say where he gets his authority to set aside a By-law.

Upon invitation, he attended the Annual Grand Communication of our Grand Chapter, and was deeply impressed with the dignity and fraternal spirit manifested.

He also visited Chester Chapter, No. 258, Chester, Pa., on invitation of the High Priest. His reception was most cordial. He met our Grand High Priest there, M. E. Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY. The pleasure was mutual.



He visited all the Chapters of the Jurisdiction, and was most cordially received, and from the number in attendance at the meetings he considers Capitular Masonry in Delaware in a healthy condition.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows the total assets of the Grand Chapter to be thirteen hundred and seventy-seven and 77/100 dollars (\$1377.77).

The Grand Secretary's report shows the membership, January 18, 1922, to be nineteen hundred and sixty-eight (1968), a net gain during the year of thirty-eight.

The report of the Committee of Correspondence was presented by Companion THOMAS J. DAY, who always prepares a good report. This one is no exception. We are accorded a favorable review.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest is found on the first page.

M. E. Companion GEORGE A. SALMON was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion STUART J. HORN was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

W. B. M.

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## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the District of Columbia held three Special Convocations during the year. The first was for the purpose of constituting William R. Singleton Royal Arch Chapter,

No. 14. Grand Chapter was opened by Companion DELOS W. THAYER, Deputy Grand High Priest, acting Grand High Priest, after which the new Chapter was constituted and officers installed. Grand Chapter then closed. The second was for the purpose of attending the funeral of Companion ORVILLE DROWN, Grand Visitor and Lecturer. The third was for the purpose of attending the funeral of M. E. Companion ADOLPHUS GUDE, Past Grand High Priest.

The Fifty-fifth Annual Convocation was held in the Masonic Temple, Washington, on Wednesday, February 8, 1922.

M. E. Companion JOSEPH H. MILANS, Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form* at seven o'clock P. M. All Grand Officers were present; also eleven Past Grand High Priests and representatives of the fourteen subordinate Chapters of the Jurisdiction.

M. E. Companions GEORGE E. CORSON, Past General Grand High Priest, and M. W. Brother CHARLES CYRUS COOMBS, Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia, were received and welcomed.

The Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion JOSEPH H. MILANS, then read his address. It is quite lengthy.

He made but one decision, that against dual membership. We think he voiced the opinion of Capitular Masonry in general.

He granted a number of dispensations and refused two. Of those granted a number were for expediting balloting on petitions. One refused was for a special Convocation to take the place of the Stated Convocation. He held that it was not within the dispensing power of the Grand High Priest to set aside the By-law of a Chapter in reference to stated meetings, then why was it possible and right to set aside the By-laws of a Chapter to expedite balloting on petitions? In speaking of the condition of the Craft he says:

“All of the constituent Chapters have had abundant ritualistic work during the past year and many of them have provided special events, and means for the enjoyment, entertainment, and improvement of their members. Harmony prevails throughout the Jurisdiction, and serious thought is being given to the idea of actively utilizing the individual members by providing some work for them to do as an incentive for attendance and participation of many who might be styled the dormant, if not disinterested or indifferent, members of the Craft.

“Our nation still occupies the favored position in the affairs of the world, but there is still much responsibility resting on all men, perhaps particularly on Masons, to help in the efforts of reconstruction. By reason of the reduction in employees, particularly in Government circles in our city, incident to a return to normal conditions, some of the Chapters have suffered losses, and this lack of employment, coupled with reductions of salaries in many cases, has doubtless prevented some of our Masons from becoming identified with a Royal Arch Chapter. With these considerations in mind, our Grand Chapter, in point of increase in membership, has had a remarkable year. At the outset and in conference with the High Priests' Association we enlarged upon the thought that any easy growth or increase in the membership would denote health and progress, and that we would forget the mere item of numbers, rather confining our efforts to the character of the Companions. This makes our large number of acquisitions in Royal Arch Masonry all the more gratifying.”

He attended the meeting of the General Grand Chapter, was received with manifest courtesy, and, in common with a large majority of those present, voted



against the proposed amendment enlarging the powers of the General Grand Chapter. This was to be expected, as we doubt if any Grand Chapter would surrender its sovereignty.

He discusses "Teams for the Royal Arch Degree." We appreciate the fact that the provisions of their Constitution make it difficult at times to confer the degree. The difficulty can be obviated by the adoption of our plan, or some similar one, of using substitutes.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance on hand, February 8, 1922, of forty-five hundred and forty-seven and 30/100 dollars (\$4547.30).

The report of the Grand Secretary shows the present membership to be fifty-nine hundred and eighty-four (5984), a gain during the year of seven hundred and twenty-five (725).

The report of the Committee of Correspondence was prepared by Past Grand High Priest M. E. Companion WILLIAM W. JERMANE. It is an elegant report. His "Forward" refers to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter. While we in Pennsylvania are not much interested in the General Grand Chapter, except in so far as it relates to the sovereignty of the Grand Chapters, we regard his statement as the best we have read on this subject. We quote it:

“The most interesting event in the American Capitular world last year was the Convocation of the General Grand Chapter, at Asheville, North Carolina. There it was settled, for at least another generation—perhaps for many generations—that Grand Chapters were not to surrender their sovereignty to a body of their own creation, nor to any other body, so far as that is concerned.

“The General Grand Chapter has misunderstood the sentiment of its constituent members. So long and so wistfully had it been looking at supreme authority, seemingly only a short distance away, that at least it believed all it had to do was to step forward and grasp it. That there would be serious objection seemingly did not enter its mind. It had the itch for power that is one of the failings of human nature, and surrendered to it, as individuals and groups of individuals have done many a time in the past, and will do many a time in the future.

“I do not speak harshly; to do so would be to condemn the General Grand Chapter for not displaying greater wisdom than would have been displayed by any other body of men similarly circumstanced. It did only what its most intemperate critics would probably have done if put in its place.

“I was interested not in it, but in the Grand Chapters. I wanted to find out what their reaction would be to the proposal that they voluntarily place themselves in perpetual bondage. Had they acquiesced, then would have come the time for harsh speaking. But as the returns began to arrive from one Grand Chapter after another, it became evident that the proposal would be rejected.

“Two-thirds of the Grand Chapters that spoke in the first year after the Baltimore Convocation said ‘No!’ In the second and third years the refusal was almost unanimous, and so it was that when the General Grand Chapter met at Asheville, it found the largest attendance in its history. Out of a total of forty-seven Grand Chapters, forty-four were represented. The delegates numbered 275, and a majority of them were under instructions to vote against the objectionable portions of the proposed Constitution. Most of the others were ready to vote in the same way.”

In his review of Kansas he quotes Grand High Priest's address as follows:

“The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, says that he refused to grant a dispensation for a new Chapter, because the proposed location of it was ‘in too close proximity to Chapters already established.’ Then he says: ‘We now have ninety-one subordinate Chapters, practically one

for each county in the State. Some of these Chapters are weak numerically, financially, and in that zeal and enthusiasm which are so essential to the maintenance of a good, live Chapter,' and he suggests 'that our energies in the future should be directed along the lines of building up and strengthening the Chapters we now have, rather than to the establishment of new ones.' That is sound doctrine, and the Grand Chapter agreed with him.''

We endorse his sentiments and believe it will apply to our own Jurisdiction.

We get a two-page review. He is not in love with our methods towards members of Symbolic Lodges of other Jurisdictions. According to our law a member must pass the chair in a Symbolic Lodge before he can apply to a Chapter. Passing to the chair is absolutely a Blue Lodge function and never had a place in any other Masonic body. The only solution of the problem we see is to induce the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to permit members of subordinate Lodges of other Jurisdictions to pass the chair in the Lodge nearest which they reside.

An engraving of the retiring Grand High Priest is found on the first page.

M. E. Companion DELOS W. THAYER was elected Grand High Priest, and R. E. Companion ARVINE W. JOHNSON was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed by M. E. Companion GEORGE E. CORSON, Past General Grand High Priest.

W. B. M.



## ENGLAND.

The proceedings of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of England for the Quarterly Convocations of November 2, 1921, and February 1, May 3, and August 2, 1922, have been received by the Committee.

M. E. Companion R. H. Lord AMPTHILL opened each Convocation in *Ancient and Solemn Form*.

The minutes of each Convocation were read and confirmed.

The Committee of General Purposes presented reports at each Convocation. Were taken as read, and ordered to be received and entered on the minutes. These virtually cover all business that comes before Grand Chapter. The adoption completes business of Grand Chapter. They show the receipts, which are large, and the disbursements, which are also large. The balance as shown by the Convocation of August 2, 1922, was £364 9s. 7d. During the period fifty-six new Chapters were authorized.

Permission was granted for a large number of Chapters to change their place of meeting, many meeting in hotels and restaurants.

Petitions were received from two Chapters authorizing the members to wear centenary jewels.

The proceedings of May 3, 1922, contain the financial report, hence we conclude it as the Annual Convocation. The receipts during the year amount to £17,951 2s. 10d.

The Convocations were closed in *Ancient and Solemn Form*, after which the members showed their devotion to the Mother Country by singing the National Air.

W. B. M.

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## ENGLAND AND WALES.

The proceedings of the Quarterly Communications of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales and the Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown, for September 6 and December 6, 1921, February 28, June 6 and September 5, 1922, have been received by the Committee.

The Quarterly Communications of September 6 and December 6, 1921, were presided over by R. W. Sir R. V. VASSAR SMITH, Bart., Deputy Grand Master, with a large number of Grand and Past Grand Officers present. Grand Lodge was opened in due form.

The report of the General Board at each meeting embraced every item that was to come before the Grand Lodge. It was adopted.

At the Quarterly Communication, December 6, 1921, a resolution was passed authorizing the pur-

chase of a wedding present for her Royal Highness, PRINCESS MARY, she to make the selection. The action should meet the approval of all loyal subjects of Great Britain.

Also at this Communication the Duke of CON-  
NAUGHT and STRATHEARN was again nominated Most  
Worshipful Grand Master for the ensuing Masonic  
year, and W. Brother JOHN MARGETSON was nomi-  
nated Grand Treasurer.

The Communications of February 28, June 6 and  
September 5, 1922, were presided over by the Very  
Rev. J. STUDHOLME BROWNRIGG (Dean of Bocking),  
Provincial Grand Master for Buckinghamshire, with  
a large number of Grand and Past Grand Officers in  
attendance. Grand Lodge was opened in form.

The General Board having made their report, it  
was affirmed, thus disposing of the major part of the  
business.

At the Quarterly Communication of February 28,  
1922, the newly elected Grand Master was pro-  
claimed, and Worshipful Brother MARGETSON was  
elected Grand Treasurer, and at the Quarterly Com-  
munication of June 6, 1922, the newly elected Grand  
Master was installed, although not present.

After installation the announcement was made  
that the Grand Master had appointed Right Worship-  
ful Brother Sir RICHARD VASSAR VASSAR SMITH,  
Bart., Deputy Grand Master. He was proclaimed.



Then followed the appointment of all other Grand Lodge Officers.

At the Fifty-third Anniversary Festival, held June 30, 1921, the sum of £9,054 0s. 11d. was announced as having been paid and promised.

A very large sum was disbursed by the Benevolent Branch at each Quarterly Communication.

Warrants were granted during the year for thirty-eight Mark Lodges and eight Royal Ark Mariner Lodges.

Each communication was closed in form, after which the Brothers present joined in singing the National Anthem, thus showing their loyalty and devotion to the Mother Country.

W. B. M.

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## FLORIDA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida assembled in its Seventy-sixth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Jacksonville, at ten o'clock A. M., Tuesday, May 30, A. D. 1922.

All Grand Officers were present; also eighteen Past Grand High Priests, one of whom, M. E. Companion Past Grand High Priest LOUIS C. MASSEY, is the Grand Representative of Pennsylvania.

M. E. Grand High Priest JOHN L. HALL in his address stated:

“I regret that I have been unable to make any official visits.” He furthermore says:

“I have arrived at the conclusion that official visits do not in all cases accomplish any real good, and on account of the increased number of Chapters, and their geographical location, if this regulation in its present form is complied with it will cause great expense to the Grand Chapter, to say nothing of the hardship upon the inspecting officers.”

We are sorry to be obliged to believe that we have learned one of the reasons for such reports as “the officers are not well enough posted in the work to confer the degrees in a creditable manner.”

“All the Chapters visited and inspected by me were found to be doing creditable work, though I find that the use of the Ritual during the conferring of the degrees is entirely too common.”

He reported the constitution of two Chapters and granted five dispensations to form Chapters.

He decided “that no dispensation is necessary for a Chapter to hold a public installation of its officers.”

The work in the several degrees was exemplified.

In adopting the report of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, six months are now required to elapse before a Master Mason can petition for the Capitular degrees.

Grand Chapter endorsed the Order of DeMolay, recommended it to its Chapters and approved the formation of Chapters of same by the constituent Chapters.

The 1923 Annual Convocation will be held in Tampa.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is over the signature of R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest ELY P. HUBBELL, in which Pennsylvania, 1920 and 1921, is fraternally reviewed at considerable length.

A frontispiece to the proceedings is a picture of Most Excellent Grand High Priest JOHN L. HALL.

M. E. R. J. KISHPAUGH, Grand High Priest, West Palm Beach.

M. E. WILBER P. WEBSTER, Grand Secretary, Jacksonville.

H. F. B.

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## GEORGIA.

The One Hundredth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Georgia assembled at the City Hall, in the City of Macon, Georgia, at ten o'clock A. M., April 12, 1922.

Most Excellent Companion GEORGE A. BEAUCHAMP, Past Grand High Priest of Alabama, and Grand Secretary and Recorder of all the Rites of Masonry in Alabama, was present as the personal representative of the General Grand High Priest. Our Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, and our Grand King, M. E. Companion JOHN M. CORE, were



also present at this Centennial Convocation. Fraternal greetings were extended to them and they graciously addressed Grand Chapter.

M. E. Companion WELBY C. JORDAN, Grand High Priest, delivered his address, reporting at length his official activities and those of his Grand Chapter.

He reported the constitution of the four Chapters which were granted charters at the last Annual Convocation.

Special dispensations granted included a few "to ballot on candidates out of time."

Among his recommendations was the suggestion that the adoption of monthly reports by the Secretaries of subordinate Chapters be made compulsory.

An article written by the General Grand High Priest on "The Necessity of Master Masons Having the Royal Arch Degrees" is being distributed by subordinate Chapters to every Master Mason in their Jurisdiction, with "splendid results."

He called attention to officers not perfecting themselves in the duties of their offices, which seems to be a rather general condition.

Among Grand Representatives appointed near other Grand Jurisdictions was THOMAS N. MCKEE, of Philadelphia, near our Grand Chapter.

The Report of Committee on Credentials disclosed the presence of all Grand Officers, eleven Past Grand High Priests, forty-six Grand Representatives and a total membership present of 189.

The membership of this Grand Chapter increased during the past year from 17,655 to 18,220.

An evening session was devoted to the public celebration of the one hundredth anniversary, in which our Grand High Priest and Grand King participated.

The Report of the Special Committee on "New Ritual" referred to criticism regarding the new ritual and to differences in the work, but did not make any recommendation to secure uniformity.

The report of the Grand Treasurer, Companion J. T. CLARKE, showed a healthy condition of the Treasury.

The report of the Committee on Memorials was an inspiring tribute in memory of departed Companions.

The Grand Lecturer, in his report, refers to many Chapters having working teams, and that the plan of special team work is worthy of consideration.

On recommendation of the Committee on General Welfare, District Conventions were inaugurated, monthly reports from Secretaries made obligatory, articles promulgated on the necessity of Master Masons receiving the Royal Arch Degree, and the

throne officers directed to take steps to bring about the organization of Chapters of the Order of De Molay.

The thanks of Grand Chapter were extended to the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania for sending our representatives to this Convocation.

The usual memorial pages, tabular statements, statistical tables and the able report on Foreign Correspondence submitted by Companion CHARLES L. BASS follow the record of the proceedings.

M. E. Companion AUGUSTUS G. MILLER, Grand High Priest, Waycross.

M. E. Companion EDGAR A. McHAN, Grand Secretary, Macon.

H. F. B.

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## IDAHO.

A Special Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the State of Idaho was held in the Masonic Temple, at Mountain Home, on Thursday, September 8, 1921, for the purpose of constituting Mountain Home Chapter, No. 24. The ceremonies were beclouded by the announcement by the acting Grand High Priest of the visit of "the Grim Messenger of Death," calling R. E. Companion RALPH T. MORGAN, Deputy Grand High Priest, thereby taking from the midst of the Companions of Idaho his "joyful laugh, the



sunny smile, the cheerful words of him we called Companion and Friend, the thoughtful touch of him who tenderly placed the broad mantle of charity above our faults.”

A Special Convocation of the Grand Chapter of the State of Idaho was held in Masonic Temple, Payette, on Tuesday, September 27, 1921, for the purpose of installing E. Companion CLATON S. RICE as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Idaho.

The Fourteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Idaho convened in the Masonic Temple, City of Payette, on Thursday, the twenty-fifth day of May, A. D. 1922, at 9.30 o'clock A. M.

E. Companion FRANK E. SEELEY, High Priest of Payette Chapter, No. 8, welcomed Grand Chapter to Payette and their Masonic home in well-chosen words, from which we cull a thought of which some of us at times need to be reminded:

“Masonry, like the true American, makes no apology to any man, and asks no man to surrender any right or take any obligation that will cause him to commit a wrong to his fellow man.”

M. E. Companion E. J. OSTRANDER, Grand High Priest, in his address, reported the reappointment of Past High Priest EDWARD L. GAUGER, of Kellogg, as the Representative of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of Idaho. He was among the twenty-six Representatives who answered roll call, and, after

they were welcomed by the Grand High Priest, our Representative, on behalf of the group, replied in most fitting words, from which we quote, though we would prefer to print in full:

“We must realize that for us there will be no real life, no substantial growth or development, and no lasting success or happiness if we attempt to live our lives apart from others or to exclude from consideration the welfare and happiness of the rest of mankind.”

R. E. Companion PERRY C. MARSHALL, Grand Secretary, reported *inter alia*:

“The financial depression and the resolution of the Grand Lodge of Idaho adopted at its session in St. Maries last September (requiring Blue Lodge members to be Master Masons at least one year before taking the ‘higher degrees’) have had a tendency to retard the growth, but in spite of this we are able to show a substantial increase in membership.”

He recommended that arrangements be made to have all Secretaries in attendance at the next Annual Convocation, to arrange a program for their consideration in an effort “to increase efficiency, membership and financial condition of each Chapter.” We consider this a happy thought.

He reported all returns received in time, with one exception, due to the sickness of the Secretary.

M. E. Companion HENRY LEIMBERGER, Grand Lecturer, presented an interesting report of his activities, and it disclosed the general prosperity enjoyed by generally well-officered Idaho Chapters.

The Committee on Consolidation of Amendments to Constitution and By-laws, Decisions and Resolutions presented its report.

The Committee on Doings of Grand Officers recommended that Deputy Grand Lecturers be secured and appointed to work under the supervision of the Grand Lecturer.

The report of the Committee on Chapters Under Dispensation, learning that a proposed Chapter used the name of a living Companion, called attention to this being "contrary to the customs of the Craft and in the opinion of your Committee should not be permitted, as it would establish a precedent that should not be allowed."

The Order of DeMolay was approved, and subordinate Chapters were authorized to sponsor Chapters of the Order of DeMolay and to lend active and moral support and such financial aid as may be deemed wise to the organization of Chapters of the Order of DeMolay.

The Report of the Committee on Jurisprudence was adopted, which included a recommendation that the resolution offered by the Excellent Grand High Priest with reference to the Towner Sterling Bill, now pending in the Congress of the United States, to the Grand Chapter be adopted.

The Committee suggested the adoption of the following amendment to the By-laws:

"No Chapter shall receive a petition for the degrees or for membership unless the applicant is a member in good standing of some lawfully constituted Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, and has been such a member for a period of not less than one calendar year."



The Committee on Necrology, speaking of R. E. Companion RALPH TODD MORGAN, Deputy Grand High Priest, who died in office, says:

“Judge Morgan died as he had lived—a true American; a kind husband and loving father, and the State of Idaho lost a worthy citizen and our Fraternity a grand character. . . . In him we knew an honored man, a good citizen, a tender and affectionate husband and father, and a true Mason.”

The Fifteenth Convocation of the Grand Chapter will be held in St. Maries, Idaho, May 24 and 25, 1923.

The Committee on Chartered Chapters made what appears to us an excellent recommendation, and which was adopted, as follows:

“That Constituent Chapters be advised that the Grand Chapter encourages the attendance of the local Secretaries at the Grand Chapter Convocations whenever possible at the expense of the constituent Chapters, and that the Secretaries present at the Annual Convocation hold at least one meeting, at which the Grand Secretary shall be present, for mutual help and instruction in the discharge of their duties.”

The pictures of M. E. Companion ERNEST J. OSTRANDER, retiring Grand High Priest, and M. E. Companion FRANCIS JENKINS, incoming Grand High Priest, precede the records of the proceedings and memorial pages, lists of Grand Officers. Returns of the constituent Chapters and much other Capitular information, together with the Fraternal Correspondence by Companion GEORGE E. KNEPPER, complete a volume devoted to Capitular business of a most virile, progressive and healthy youthful Grand Chapter. Pennsylvania, 1920 and 1921, is fraternally reviewed.

M. E. Companion FRANCIS JENKINS, Grand High Priest, Moscow.

R. E. Companion PERRY C. MARSHALL, Grand Secretary, Boise.

H. F. B.

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## ILLINOIS.

The Seventy-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Illinois convened in the grand ballroom of the La Salle Hotel, City of Chicago, on Thursday, the twenty-seventh day of October, A. D. 1921, A. I. 2451, at ten o'clock A. M.

All Grand Officers were in attendance, seventeen Past Grand High Priests, thirty-nine Grand Representatives, twenty-seven District Inspectors and two hundred and fifty-three representatives.

The report of Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion ANDREW D. WEBB, disclosed "more than ten thousand exaltations" and "cash receipts have exceeded any previous year, they being more than fifty thousand dollars. So I may say that we have again easily maintained the lead over all other Grand Chapters." He issued dispensations for the formation of ten new Chapters.

The report of the Right Excellent Grand Treasurer, Companion G. W. CURTISS, shows the total assets of this Grand Chapter as \$70,718.75, a truly healthy showing.

The report of Committee on Chartered Chapters furnishes the following interesting facts: Chartered Chapters, 217; Chapters under dispensation, 8; total membership, 73,067, a gain of 10,893 for the year.

The report of Companions CLARENCE W. HARRISS and D. D. DUNKLE, Committee on Obituaries, is worthy of more general dissemination than it likely will receive, the thoughts dealing with our hope of immortality being especially well expressed.

The oration delivered by Companion GEORGE H. YULE, Excellent Grand Chaplain, also should be read by every Companion, and clearly expressed our duty to God and our Country, a message which should be assimilated by every true American.

The Proceedings are embellished by the likeness of Past Grand High Priest M. E. Companion W. C. HADLEY, who reached the ripe age of fourscore years on August 26, 1922.

We find that the address of the Grand Representative of Illinois near the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania is still given as Montreal, instead of Philadelphia.

The report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations is again the product of M. E. Companion Past Grand High Priest EVERETT R. TURNBULL, who, in his introduction, voices sentiments which strike a responsive chord, and we beg to quote:

“Masonry is supposed to ‘unite men of every country, sect and opinion and conciliate true friendship among those who might otherwise remain at



a perpetual distance;’ therefore we should adopt as our motto, from each according to his powers; to each according to his needs. There is an Eastern proverb that says: ‘When a man dies people say—What property has he left behind? But the angels who examine him will ask—What good deeds hast thou sent before?’

‘‘The richest treasury does not necessarily mean the wealthiest Grand Chapter. True wealth is of the heart, not the hand. Then let us away with this pessimism and doubt about our new members, and turn our attention to directing their thoughts to the real meaning of the word Masonry.’’

He fraternally reviewed our proceedings of 1920.

W. C. HADLEY, Collinsville, Grand High Priest.

JAMES E. JEFFERS, Springfield, Grand Secretary.

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## INDIANA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana assembled in Seventy-sixth Annual Convocation in Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the City of Fort Wayne, at two o’clock P. M., on Wednesday, the nineteenth day of October, A. D. 1921.

Eighteen Past Grand High Priests were present, and representatives of 121 of 124 chartered Chapters.

Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion THOMAS F. SPINK, in his address says:

‘‘The office of Deputy Grand High Priest seems to me to be superfluous, and I would recommend that it be abolished. I would also recommend that the traditional offices of Grand Principal Sojourner and the three Grand Masters of the Vails be made elective.’’

Under date of April 20, 1921, the Grand High Priest sent a circular letter to the subordinate Chapters "since it is manifestly impossible for me to make a personal visit to each Chapter in the State." In it he urged Chapters to "allow no one to become delinquent for more than one year," called attention to laxity regarding marks, stating there is no excuse "for permitting a candidate to proceed without recording his mark," and noted the net membership increase of 4222, which "let us make the quality equal to the quantity."

The Committee on Dispensations concurred in the report of the Grand Inspector recommending the granting of two new charters.

The Jurisprudence Committee approved the ruling of the Grand High Priest refusing permission to a member of a Chapter under the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland to sit in Chapters of this Jurisdiction pending the resumption of fraternal relations with the said Supreme Grand Chapter. This Committee's report was also adopted in so far as it recommended that the manner of electing officers remain as at present. This Committee also reported it inadvisable for this Grand body to take any action under the existing conditions relating to the Order of DeMolay for Masons' sons and their chums. The ritual of the General Grand Chapter was adopted for usage on and after February 1, 1922.

The Seventy-seventh Annual Convocation will be held in the City of Indianapolis.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is over the signature of M. E. Companion ROBERT ARCHER WOODS, Past Grand High Priest, whose conclusion suggests a commencement, and we are pleased to quote:

“The growth of the past year has been miraculous. Such was the indication when I began to write, and such is the verdict now that the end has been reached. What are we going to do with these vast accessions? Let them drift? Let them lose interest and fall under suspension? God forbid. Let us awake to our duty. Here is our work mapped out for us. And it is a glorious even though strenuous work, one worthy of the best endeavors of honest, consecrated hearts. Arise ye, my Companions. For the everlasting good of Royal Arch Masonry get to work, and that right zealously.”

Pennsylvania, 1920, is fraternally reviewed.

Full page cuts of the retiring and incoming Grand High Priests, of the lamented Secretary, R. E. CALVIN W. PRATHER, deceased, and his successor, Past Grand High Priest M. E. Companion ROBERT A. WOODS, grace the proceedings.

A picture of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, at Fort Wayne, the place of meeting, also is contained in the proceedings.

“The Companions of Fort Wayne left nothing undone in providing for the comfort and divertisement of the attending grand officers, representatives and ladies. Banquets, receptions, music, theatre parties, auto trips and good fellowship abounded.”

EDWARD B. RAUB, Indianapolis, Grand High Priest.

ROBERT A. WOODS, Princeton, Grand Secretary.

H. F. B.



## IOWA.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Iowa convened in its Sixty-eighth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, Muscatine, Iowa, on the thirteenth day of October, A. D. 1921, at nine o'clock A. M.

M. E. Grand High Priest CHARLES C. SHRADER, in his address, notes the fact that "Capitular Masonry has advanced as never before" in Iowa. He reported on the death and funeral of Past Grand High Priest FRANK N. FOWLER, an illustrious Mason.

He reported on the constitution of two Chapters and granting dispensations to two others.

We observe that many official visits were made by the Grand High Priest, his associate officers and Companions, and voice the opinion that they will prove of considerable value in promoting Capitular Masonry.

Among recommendations, he says:

"In conformity with the resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge of Iowa, I desire to recommend a change in our laws which will make it necessary for all Brothers petitioning for the Chapter degrees to have passed a satisfactory examination on the third degree."

The reports of Right Excellent M. R. ANSBACH, Grand Treasurer, and Right Excellent O. F. GRAVES, Grand Secretary, reflected progress and a healthy

condition of the business affairs of the Grand Chapter of Iowa.

The Committee on Chartered Chapters presented a most unique report, pleasingly written, with just enough real criticism to invite self-analysis on the part of each Companion and if this review would be widely read we would be pleased to quote it in full.

The report of the Board of Custodians shows considerable progress and labor expended in bringing about uniformity of work, and the results will no doubt be gratifying.

The "Transactions of the Grand Chapter of Iowa" is embellished with the picture of the retiring Grand High Priest, M. E. Companion CHARLES C. SHRADER, and the minutes are followed by much data concerning changes in membership, synopses of returns, historical information, directories, address, list of the twenty-one Past Grand High Priests of Iowa, list of deceased Past Grand High Priests, memoriam pages, in which are included a likeness of Past Grand High Priest FRANK N. FOWLER, a sketch of Past Grand High Priest CHARLES C. SHRADER, Proceedings of the Convention of the Order of High Priesthood, list of members of the Order of High Priesthood, and the Report on Correspondence, by Most Excellent Companion Past Grand High Priest EDWARD M. WILLARD, who, *inter alia*, fraternally reviewed our 1920 Proceedings.

M. E. Companion CHARLES B. WHELPLEY, Grand High Priest, Cedar Rapids.

R. E. Companion ORVIS F. GRAVES, Grand Secretary, Harlan.

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## IRELAND.

The report for 1921 has as a frontispiece the photo of M. E. Colonel W. A. KING-HARMAN, Grand Superintendent Meath and North Connaught.

It is most gratifying, especially at this time, to note from the letter of the M. E. Grand King, the Lord MUSKERRY, that the ninth annual report to him as head of the Order, "like all the others, shows an improvement on the previous one."

The receipts in 1921 "constitute a new record."

Nineteen warrants to establish new Chapters were issued during the year, the largest number ever issued in one year by the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland.

An amendment in laws provides that "no degree shall be conferred on any candidate in any Mark Lodge on the day on which he is balloted for."

The Auditors' report shows the finances in a healthy condition, with a material increase in the bank balance over the previous year.



The number of Companions stricken from the roll is always noteworthy as regards this Grand Jurisdiction. In 1921 but fourteen Companions were thus affected, more than during the previous year, but an extraordinarily small number comparatively with the record in other Jurisdictions.

JOHN F. LAURENCE, M. E. Grand High Priest.

HENRY C. SHELLARD, V. E. Grand Registrar, Freemasons' Hall, Dublin.

H. F. B.

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## KANSAS.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Kansas convened in the Masonic Temple, Topeka, Kansas, on Monday, February 13, A. D. 1922, at three P. M., in its Fifty-seventh Annual Convocation.

All Grand Officers were present. M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN, General Grand High Priest, made an official visit, and the Grand Chapter was honored by the presence of other distinguished visitors. The Grand Representatives of other Grand Chapters were formally received. Fourteen Past Grand High Priests were in attendance, including M. E. Companion FRANK E. DAVIS, the Grand Representative of Pennsylvania.

M. E. Grand High Priest CHARLES G. WEST, in his address, reported on many dispensations, among them

“to receive and ballot upon petitions, waiving statutory time,” a number “to confer degrees upon a class” and fourteen “to make pilgrimages.”

Under “visitations” he reports visiting with Wyandotte Chapter, No. 6, at Kansas City, on the occasion of conferring all the degrees in one day on a class of one hundred and twenty-two. While we delight to hear of such activity, we also subscribe to his statements that

“It is evident the enthusiasm engendered by this effort will be reflected in the continued growth of this Chapter, but we regret the necessity of candidates being denied the full benefit derived from our beautiful work when necessary to confer these degrees in such large classes. They surely do not receive the impression possible from work conferred individually.”

In commenting on the work of E. Companion HARVEY O. DAVIS, Grand Lecturer, he suggests “a plan similar to the District meetings of the Lodges, or perhaps a visit of the Lecturer together with an officer of the Grand Chapter to inspect and instruct the Chapters,” etc., “and these visits, where it is plainly necessary, should not be left optional with the local Chapters, etc.”

He expressed his favorable opinion of the DeMolay movement for boys.

The report of R. E. ALBERT K. WILSON, Grand Secretary, shows the membership of Grand Chapter, on December 31, 1921, as 18,668.

The Committee on Reports of Grand Officers declared action in line with the Grand High Priest's

desire concerning the Order of DeMolay as "unwise, unnecessary and unconstitutional." A Special Committee later reported "That we are in hearty accord with the aims and efforts of every organization having for its object the furtherance of good citizenship and the upholding of the youth of our common country; yet we do not deem it our duty to sponsor any particular Order in the conduct of its own affairs," which report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Necrology, submitted by E. Companion HARRY E. PEACH, is a beautiful classic which we would gladly quote if these reviews were more generally read.

The Committee on Chartered Chapters and Chapters Under Dispensation asked for a closer relationship between Chapters and the incoming administration, and requested a certain amount of time and energy from the Grand Officers in making visitations. The Committee again called attention to the carelessness and negligence of subordinate Secretaries, and suggested penalizing the guilty.

The following carried:

"Moved that the General Grand Chapter ritual be adopted, with such changes as shall be suggested by the incoming Grand Council, to which, as a Committee shall be added the Grand Secretary."

The picture of M. E. Companion CHARLES G. WEST, retiring Grand High Priest, graces the Proceedings as a frontispiece.



Statistical tables, lists and memorial pages, together with pictures of appointive Grand Officers, the Proceedings of the Order of High Priesthood and the report on Correspondence complete a very interesting volume devoted to Kansas Capitular Masonry for the past year.

Pennsylvania is most fraternally reviewed by R. E. Companion ALBERT K. WILSON, Grand Secretary and Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence.

M. E. Companion OWEN J. WOOD, Grand High Priest, Topeka.

R. E. Companion ALBERT K. WILSON, Grand Secretary, Topeka.

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## KENTUCKY.

The Grand Chapter of Kentucky, Royal Arch Masons, held its One Hundred and Fourth Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, Louisville, commencing October 18, 1921, A. I. 2451, and was opened in *Ample Form* on the Royal Arch degree at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

All Grand Officers were in their stations, and twenty-one out of twenty-two Past Grand High Priests were in attendance.

Grand High Priest M. E. Companion JAMES F. WINN, in a very able address, dealt almost exclusively

with local Capitular affairs. He, as his predecessors, continues to be much annoyed with requests for dispensations to ballot on candidates in less than one lunar month after petition was received, all of which requests were invariably refused and the Chapters and Officers "courteously advised" of the law. He "firmly and flatly refused" requests to sanction the invasion of the territorial jurisdiction of adjacent Chapters. He reported on numerous fraternal courtesies, and set forth at length the facts concerning the denial of a request to have the degrees conferred by a Chapter in another Jurisdiction, which happened to be Pennsylvania. The correspondence disclosed that even within our own Jurisdiction, under our law, subordinate Chapters cannot extend this courtesy one to the other. Efforts are made to have an annual inspection of all Chapters by eleven District Inspectors, but many have been derelict in their duties.

Companion WILLIAM FRONMILLER, of the Committee on Homes, presented a most interesting report, disclosing 416 residents at the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home, who are maintained at a per capita cost of \$192.30. The Old Masons' Home, with forty-two aged brethren, is maintained at a per capita cost of \$440.

The report of the Committee on Doings of Other Grand Chapters is by Companion WILLIAM W. CLARKE, who made no reference to Pennsylvania.

HANSON PETERSON, Grand High Priest, Cynthiana.

G. ALLISON HOLLAND, Grand Secretary, Lexington.

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## LOUISIANA.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Louisiana was convened in the Masonic Temple, New Orleans, on February 7, 1922, at twelve o'clock M., in its Seventy-fifth Annual Grand Convocation.

M. E. Grand High Priest B. B. PURSER, in his address, referred to the net gain in his Grand Jurisdiction of 966 members; stated that "the peace and harmony which has prevailed, the activity of the constituent Chapters, and the ease with which matters may be attended by correspondence, have taken away any serious necessity for official visits"; reported on the constitution of three new Chapters, the institution of a fourth Chapter and the remarkable fact that "no dispensations were asked for."

M. E. Companion H. F. GRIMM, Grand Treasurer, presented an interesting report showing a material increase of assets now totaling \$24,194.74.

The Committee on Work reported that "it feels that something more is needed to stir up new energy and interest in Capitular Masonry; and we have given considerable study to the matter, and are of the opin-



ion that the first, and most important necessity, is greater effort, and more personal visitation and advice by the officers of the Grand Chapter." It recommended "that the Grand High Priest be authorized and instructed to divide the Chapters in the State into convenient groups, and appoint a Deputy, in supervision of each group, with authority to visit and instruct the Chapters assigned to him, as the official representative of the Grand Chapter, and that he be required to make regular reports to the Grand High Priest of the result of his efforts."

Thirty-six Grand Representatives answered roll call and were received with private grand honors.

An exemplification of work was held prior to the Grand Convocation.

As usual, the annual returns of constituent Chapters, work of the year, are published in the proceedings, statistical tables and much other Capitular information, including memorial pages and Fraternal Correspondence, the latter over the name of Companion JOHN A. DAVILLA, the Grand Secretary, and Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. He reviewed Pennsylvania, 1920.

The likeness of M. E. Companion JOSEPH SINAI appears as a frontispiece in the Proceedings.

JOSEPH SINAI, Grand High Priest, New Orleans.

JOHN A. DAVILLA, Grand Secretary, New Orleans.

H. F. B.

## MAINE.

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine met in its Ninety-seventh Annual Convocation in Masonic Temple, at Portland, on Tuesday evening, May 2, A. D. 1922, at seven o'clock, R. E. WILSON D. BARRON, Deputy Grand High Priest, presiding, M. E. Grand High Priest L. ELWOOD JONES having died during his term of office. All other Grand Officers were present; also 123 representatives of fifty-nine of the sixty-five chartered Chapters, fifteen of the seventeen living Past Grand High Priests, fourteen of the other twenty-one permanent members, including forty-one of the fifty-one Representatives of other Grand Chapters, of which Past Grand High Priest M. E. Companion FRANKLIN R. REDLON, representing Pennsylvania, was one.

Many distinguished guests honored Grand Chapter at this Convocation, among them being our Most Excellent Companion JOHN M. CORE, Grand King, and Most Excellent Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Past Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania.

The Grand Jurisdiction lost by death not only its Grand High Priest, L. ELWOOD JONES, but also Companion ALBRO E. CHASE, Past Grand High Priest, and for many years Grand Treasurer of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine.

Dispensations are frequently granted in Maine to confer degrees at places other than their regular place of meeting.

Fourteen Past Grand High Priests, the Grand King, the Grand Scribe and the Deputy Grand High Priest attended the Asheville, N. C., meeting of the General Grand Chapter, and succeeded in securing the next Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter for Portland, Maine, in 1924.

The acting Grand High Priest reported his findings when visiting quite a number of the subordinate Chapters, which, with few exceptions, presented impressive work, are in healthy financial condition, with records well and accurately kept.

The reports of the other Grand Officers and the District Deputy Grand High Priests also reflected the general interest of officers in performing good work and in the establishment of successful and financially strong Chapters.

The report of the Grand Secretary, Companion CHARLES B. DAVIS, contains a phenomenal statement that the 1921 proceedings were mailed just ten days after the close of the Annual Convocation, which was, I am sure, record time. This is worthy of emulation.

At this Convocation exercises were held commemorative of the celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the organization of this Grand Chapter.



Memorials in memory of M. E. Companion LEVI ELWOOD JONES and M. E. Companion ALBRO ELMORE CHASE were presented and ordered printed in the proceedings. We sympathize with our Companions of Maine in their unusually severe loss in the death of such wonderful men and Masons.

An amendment of the Constitution was passed increasing the penalty for delayed returns.

M. E. Companion THOMAS H. BODGE, Past Grand High Priest, presented the report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, in which Pennsylvania, 1920 and 1921, was fraternally reviewed.

A charter was granted to Mount Kebo Chapter, No. 50.

Amendments to the Constitution were presented and referred to the Committee on Amendments to report at the next Annual Convocation, the same requiring the conferring of one degree in a Chapter before the others may be conferred by another Chapter as a courtesy to the electing Chapter.

The minutes of the Grand Chapter Convocation are followed, as usual, by the minutes of the Order of High Priesthood, the Abstract of Proceedings of the Trustees of the Charity Fund, amendments to the Constitution since the revision of 1896, amendments to standing regulations, lists of Grand Chapter Officers, subordinate Chapters and much other data, pictures of the distinguished dead above mentioned,

assignments of Chapters for official visitation and inspection during the ensuing year, with instructions to inspecting officers, and considerable other valuable information, mostly of a local character, however.

The Appendix contains a record of the Centennial exercises, the programme, the picture of M. E. Companion Past Grand High Priest THOMAS H. BODGE and his historical address, presenting at great length the history of this Grand Jurisdiction, and concluding when speaking of present day unrest, which sometimes has crept into Masonic deliberations, with the words of Companion DRUMMOND, of Maine, written forty years ago:

“There is always a tendency among men to endeavor to improve everything; but it is one of the fundamental principles of Masonry that we should hand it down to those who come after us, the same as it came to us from the fathers; and in its name we appeal to those who would accommodate Masonry to modern methods to call a halt, lest they ‘remove the ancient landmarks and make innovation in the body of Masonry.’ ”

It also contains a picture of E. Companion Rev. ASHLEY A. SMITH, D. D., and his eloquent address, worthy of wide dissemination and dealing with the subject, “What Symbolic Masonry Is, and the Part It Has Played and Must Always Play in Our Life and Times.”

After the serving of the centennial dinner, E. Companion FRANCIS E. CHASE, eighty-two years young, addressed the assembled Companions, as did all the distinguished guests present.

The report on Correspondence concluded a most instructive volume of Capitular lore.

M. E. Companion WILSON D. BARRON, Grand High Priest, Camden.

R. E. Companion CHARLES B. DAVIS, Grand Secretary, Portland.

H. F. B.

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### MARYLAND, 1921.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland held their One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Annual Convocation in Baltimore on Thursday, November 17, 1921.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form*, and M. E. Companion L. DORSEY GASSAWAY, Grand High Priest, presented a report that carries interest to Companions far beyond his State. The report shows that the amendments to By-laws for subordinate Chapters deal mostly with increased compensations for Secretaries. This is going right, and will lead toward better records through a partial recognition of earnest toil.

The Grand High Priest notes the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania as "a most dignified and inspiring occasion." His felicitations are very gracious.

The agitation for a new order for boys is under discussion in Maryland, as in other Jurisdictions, and a



special committee recommended that Chapters of the Order of DeMolay be organized for this purpose, and that they be under the supervision of subordinate Chapters. Masonry already has many tails to drag her kite.

June 24, 1922, was the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Maryland, and in anticipation of that event the Minutes of the 1921 Convocation has this word:

“From a table of statistics included in the 1921 Report of the Grand Chapter of Mississippi, wherein all the Grand Chapters of the United States are listed and the dates of their respective organization recorded, I find that only the Grand Holy Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania is older than ourselves, it having been organized on the 29th of November, 1795.

“As the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania is not a member of the General Grand Chapter, these figures appear to justify the claim by us that ours is the senior or oldest Grand Chapter holding membership in the General Grand Body.”

The Royal Arch Masons of Pennsylvania send greetings of congratulations to the Companions of Maryland as their Grand Chapter passes the century and quarter milestone. Live on for a thousand years and more!

In the report on Correspondence, the space for Pennsylvania is given to cullings from the proceedings of our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary. As we hold that age and worth are synonymous in Masonry, owing to the unchanging landmarks, we take this extended notice as a compliment. It is a good report, and Pennsylvania shall try to prove worthy of all the kind greetings extended.

M. E. Companion LEPAGE CRONMILLER was elected Grand High Priest, and M. E. Companion GUSTAV A. EITEL was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

The returns from Chapters show a membership of 8230, an increase of 1251.

E. W. R.

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### MASSACHUSETTS, 1921.

The One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts was held in Ionic Hall, Masonic Temple, Boston, Tuesday, December 13, 1921. Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form*.

A very impressive report was read by M. E. Companion JOHN J. VAN VALKENBURGH, Grand High Priest. It was his third annual record, and it recapitulated much of his three years of service.

Massachusetts has been seeking strict and positive adherence to the standard work for the Capitular degrees. Throughout the Jurisdiction certain irregularities in the conduct of the work had been permitted by High Priests of subordinate Chapters. Certain irrelevant proceedings in conferring the Past Master's degree in Houghton Royal Arch Chapter, of Marlboro, were reported to the Grand High Priest. After a hearing given to the High Priest of the Chapter, and after the infraction of Grand Chapter regula-

tions had been acknowledged, the charter of the Chapter was suspended. Later, a petition was received for the restoration of the charter, signed by one hundred and fifty-one members of the Chapter, who expressed deep regret for the interjection of improper matter in the degree work. The charter was restored, but the entire action has been a decided warning to all subordinate Chapters.

The Grand High Priest reported the institution, during his three years, of the following Chapters: Swampscott, Henry J. Mills, Webster, Belmont, Wompatuck, Fairhaven, James Rogerson, Winchester and Watertown.

Pennsylvania felicitates the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts on the honor that comes to her through the election of Past Grand High Priest JOHN A. BLAKE to the office of General Grand King in the General Grand Chapter.

A feature of the Quarterly Convocation, March, 1921, was an address by Grand Chaplain Companion R. PERRY BUSH. His subject was "Liberty's Appeal to American Masons," and the following is suggestive:

"There are two supreme ends or attainments toward which mankind is slowly and painfully tending. One of these is civil—leading to Democracy—a Republic in government, in which liberty is the heritage of all, and each must learn to put it to its highest use in contributing to the welfare of the whole. The other is religious, and provides a union not of monotonous sameness of belief, but the mutual respect of those who differ, but who are equally honest, and all inspired by a common purpose and a recognition of the brotherhood of our human race.



“We, as Masons, may take pride in our contribution to what has been attained. The names of those most prominent in the furthering of our Revolutionary War were those of Masons, a Mason was our first President, and the model for the Constitution of these United States was furnished by the English Grand Lodge and reprinted by Benjamin Franklin. The principles of Masonry and those of our Republic are identical—and the deepest thing in religion—the monotheistic God and the surety of immortality are among the landmarks of our Ancient Craft.”

The Capitular Review gives good space to Pennsylvania, with somewhat of wonderment over our methods. The writer looks askant at the making of a Royal Arch Mason at sight by the Grand High Priest, and says that it “seems to be quite a common occurrence in Pennsylvania.” No, Companion, it is the rare and exceptional case in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Our Constitution, Article VII, “Powers and Duties of the Officers of the Grand Chapter,” under “Grand High Priest” says:

“To confer or cause to be conferred in his presence, in any Chapter, the degrees of Capitular Masonry.”

Another question is asked in the Review:

“In this (Pennsylvania) Jurisdiction the first five Grand Officers carry the title ‘Most Excellent’ and the High Priest of a Chapter is also ‘Most Excellent.’ Is the Worshipful Master of a Lodge Most Worshipful? In Massachusetts only the offices of Grand Master and Grand High Priest give the title ‘Most Worshipful’ or ‘Most Excellent.’ ”

In Pennsylvania the Master of a Lodge has the title “Worshipful Master.”

Membership 35,003, a net gain of 3525.

M. E. Companion CURTIS CHIPMAN, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion FREDERICK T. COMEE, Grand Secretary.

E. W. R.

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### MICHIGAN, 1922.

The Seventy-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan was held in the City of Grand Rapids, May 16 and 17, 1922. Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form*.

Distinguished guests included M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter; M. E. Companion RICHARD H. SPENCER, Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of Canada, and R. E. Companion HENRY T. SMITH, Grand Scribe Ezra of the Grand Chapter of Canada. Subsequently, these visitors were elected Honorary Members of the Grand Chapter of Michigan and were invited to attend all Convocations.

Another visitor was GEORGE KING PHILLIPS, 4th, the Grand Chapter baby, the twenty-months-old son of the Grand Master of the Third Veil and the youngest person who had been admitted to any session of the Michigan Grand Chapter.

M. E. Companion FRANK P. WILCOX, Grand High Priest, presented a splendidly prepared report of the

year's work. He said, "Perhaps the outstanding feature of the year is the deep interest developed in the Order of DeMolay for boys." In one year's time thirty-nine Chapters have been formed, with three thousand members. Almost as many boys were enrolled as was the net increase for the Capitular degrees and this increase fell short 1187 under the previous year. Space is devoted to the DeMolay ceremonial, and the degrees are outlined.

Dispensations were granted for five new Chapters, as follows: November 17, 1921, Iron River; November 17, 1921, Nashville; January 9, 1922, Dearborn; March 7, 1922, Trenton, and April 20, 1922, River Rouge.

M. E. Companion CHARLES A. CONOVER, Grand Secretary, presented his nineteenth annual report as Grand Secretary. It is a matter for congratulation that Companion CONOVER was re-elected. To this faithful toiler we say, "Hail!"

#### An interesting item reports:

Number of Chartered Chapters .....	161
Total membership .....	40,128
Net gain for the year .....	3,982
Average Chapter membership .....	242
Largest Chapter, King Cyrus .....	2,217
Chapters showing gains in membership .....	145
"        "    loss in membership .....	15
"        "    same membership .....	1

The "Scrap Book" is substituted for the Correspondence Report. This year the Grand Secretary



continues the study of King Solomon's Temple under the title, "Further Notes on the Temple." If data anywhere is in the world, surely it has been gathered and quotations from the Bible, Josephus, the Britannica, the Encyclopædia Biblica, Rawlinson, Renan, Warren and a host of authorities and near authorities in Archæology. The fifty-five pages cover a scissor collection of data too heavy for the average reader and too fragmentary for the student. The matter is well written and shows much labor. It is to be regretted that foreign correspondence is omitted.

Next year the Convocation will be held at Flint, Michigan.

M. E. Companion ROY ANDRUS, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion CHARLES A. CONOVER, Grand Secretary.

E. W. R.

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### MINNESOTA, 1921.

The Sixtieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota was held in Masonic Temple, in the city of Saint Paul, Tuesday, October 11, 1921.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* by M. E. Companion JOHN W. HAYS, Grand High Priest. All the Grand Officers were present except the Grand Sentinel. The Committee on Credentials reported as

present thirteen Grand Officers, fourteen Permanent Members and seventy-two representatives of sixty of the seventy-seven Chapters; in all, ninety-nine. Companion JAMES RIDLER, Grand Representative for Pennsylvania, was present.

The address of M. E. Companion JOHN W. HAYS, Grand High Priest, showed interesting features. Note his word as to the growth and possibilities for Capitular Masonry in Minnesota:

“Our Order has made a wonderful growth, the net gain being 30 per cent. greater than last year, which was our banner year. This awakening is timely and good. May the good work go on, and each succeeding year show a greater gain. The field is broad, as only 40 per cent. of the Masons of the State have attained the Royal Arch degree.”

And his inability to visit throughout the Jurisdiction:

“When I was elected to this office I saw at once that the money allowed would not carry me over the entire State, or even the major part of it, so I have confined my visits to the Chapters I could reach with the least expense of time and money. I visited sixteen Chapters and found their social and financial condition excellent. Everywhere I went I received all the honors and respect due to my office.”

Also, the lack of uniformity in the work:

“I noted a lack of uniformity in the work, some Chapters using more of the new work than others. No two working exactly alike. All Chapters using the new work were doing so under protest.”

That the matter of ritual is a knotty problem is gathered from the findings that were given to a special committee for a report at the next Convocation:

“The Most Excellent Grand High Priest calls attention to the rendition of the ritual in different subordinate Chapters. Your Committee is

of the opinion that the ritual of the General Grand Chapter, which we have adopted, should be the work in this Jurisdiction, and that all and everything that does not conform to it should be eliminated. The work as promulgated by the Ritual Committee of the General Grand Chapter, when rendered as it is intended to be, is beautiful, makes the degrees more impressive and does away with unusual severity, which has no place in Masonic degrees. In this same connection we want to reiterate the recommendation of the Committee last year, to the effect that a return to the District Deputy system is of more practical value and benefit than the meetings of the Schools of Instruction. If this cannot be done, arrange for one State Lecturer, whose duty it shall be to visit all of the Chapters, see that they are proficient in the work, the Grand Chapter paying his expenses. It seems to us this matter is of sufficient importance to warrant due consideration. We therefore recommend that it be referred to a special committee of three, to report either at this Convocation or the next Convocation of the Grand Chapter.''

Pennsylvania obtains uniformity through the District Deputy system *plus* Schools of Instruction.

New Chapters, Minnetonka at Excelsior, and Gatfield at Canby, were constituted. Signet Chapter, No. 61, surrendered its charter to the Grand Chapter.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is presented in concise form, and Pennsylvania is most happily reviewed.

Membership 13,546, a net gain of 1465.

M. E. Companion JOHN H. ANDERSON, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion JOHN FISHEL, Grand Secretary.

E. W. R.



## MISSISSIPPI, 1922.

The Seventy-fourth Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Mississippi was held in the City of Meridan, February 23, 1922. The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* by M. E. Companion HENRY CLAY YAWN, Grand High Priest. There were present thirteen Grand Officers, three Past Grand High Priests, and representatives from fifty-nine Chapters.

The Grand High Priest in his address, in review of the year, says:

“Memory alone can travel the path again; and while she cannot change the past, she can and does bring approval to conscience for acts and deeds that were good, and remorse and sorrow for those that were bad.”

He regrets that his visitations to subordinate Chapters were very few.

The death of M. E. Companion OLIVER L. MCKAY, Grand Secretary, removed a most faithful and honored Mason from the Capitular ranks. His work in all branches of the Fraternity extended over thirty years, and the Craft even beyond the borders of Mississippi mourn his death.

“We have all witnessed the passing of one whose place cannot be filled easily, either in capacity for service or entrenchment in our affections.

“ ‘Somewhere in the flood of years;  
Somewhere in the river’s flow,  
God shall wipe away our tears—  
Then we shall see and know.’ ”

M. E. Companion E. L. FAUCETTE was appointed and installed as Grand Secretary to fill the vacancy.

The concluding words of the Grand High Priest are thought interesting:

“However, the record cannot be changed. ‘What I have written I have written.’ This observation forces upon me a recurrence of the thought set forth in the beginning of the address. Since today soon becomes yesterday and joins the pageant of the eternal march of years, and since each thought and deed passes irrevocably into the realms of by-gone days, let the issues and duties presented by each day and hour be so met and discharged as that, when these periods of time shall have become a part of the past, memory can bring from their shadows no pangs of remorse to worry us nor regrets to chide us.”

Companion W. H. CARTER, Grand Lecturer, voices the state of degree work:

“More than half of our Chapters now do excellent work, and nearly all of them do acceptable work. Only a few Chapters are unable to do the work, and these are so located that they have only one or two classes during the year, and often go through the year without any work to do. Under such circumstances, I doubt whether it is possible to develop and maintain working teams.”

As to Marks, he adds:

“I find that in nearly all the Chapters indifferent attention is given to the selection and recording of Marks. The candidates are instructed that each must select and record his Mark, and then, apparently, the matter is forgotten. In many Chapters, the Book of Marks is practically useless property.”

An amendment to their Capitular law was adopted as follows:

“The Symbolic Lodge being the basis upon which all Ancient Craft Masonry is erected, it is considered the duty of every Mason to be a member of a Lodge, and hence non-affiliated Master Masons are declared to be not eligible for the Chapter degrees, but a Chapter has no right to compel

one of its members to continue his affiliation with a Lodge if he desires to sever the same. But a member who wilfully or negligently remains a non-affiliate shall be ineligible for any office in a subordinate Chapter.''

In Pennsylvania a member of a Chapter ceases to be such by ceasing to be a member of a Master Masons' Lodge for more than six months.

The report on Foreign Correspondence was incom-  
pleted at the time of the death of M. E. Companion  
OLIVER L. MCKAY, Grand Secretary, and M. E. Com-  
panion GEORGE C. MYERS, Past Grand High Priest,  
was appointed to complete the work. The report is  
one of the very best in all the States. The interest  
holds throughout, and it is a splendid digest of Capit-  
ular records. Pennsylvania has an excellent review.  
Of special note is the Table of Statistics culled from  
Connecticut.

M. E. Companion EMMET N. THOMAS, Grand High  
Priest.

M. E. Companion E. L. FAUCETTE, Grand Secre-  
tary.

E. W. R.

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### MISSOURI, 1922.

The Seventy-sixth Annual Convention of the  
Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Missouri  
was held at Saint Joseph, Tuesday, April 11, 1922.  
M. E. Companion BERT E. LEE, Grand High Priest,  
opened Grand Chapter in *Ample Form*, and gave wel-



come to M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter. There were in attendance two hundred and ninety-five. Twenty-two Chapters were not represented.

The reading of the proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Missouri conveys the knowledge that this Grand Chapter of the Mississippi Valley is aggressively earnest in all Capitular endeavors. The report of the Grand High Priest is so full of good things that much must be left out in this brief survey.

His opening paragraph is a trumpet call:

“The nations of the old world were jealous of our possibilities, preparations were being made throughout the world for larger and greater navies, preparatory to a future war, more awful than the one just closed, and it looked as though nothing could stop it and the smallest spark might kindle the conflagration at any time. In this world crisis a Royal Arch Mason, who had knelt at our altar and had taken the obligations as you and I, putting into practice the ideals learned in our beloved Order, realizing that every man is his brother’s keeper, and that men are created to build and not to tear down and destroy, invited the nations of the world to meet in our own land around the council table and discuss their differences as men and brethren. The result of this conference you well know, and I can come to you today at the close of my year’s work with a new message of hope for universal peace made possible through the efforts of a Companion of our great Fraternity.”

Requests for courtesy were received and granted with the utmost liberality.

Chapters were instituted under dispensation as follows: East Gate Chapter, at Kansas City; Mountain Grove Chapter, at Mountain Grove, and Wellston Chapter at Wellston.

The Grand High Priest was diligent in visitations and on this he writes :

“I have devoted quite a great deal of time during the year to the visitation of Chapters. It has been my policy, instead of planning a regular itinerary and having the Companions called together for my reception, to visit the Chapters on their invitations, and as far as possible where they had arranged for work to be conferred. While the expenses of traveling have possibly been more, it has enabled me to meet with many more of the Companions, and, I am sure, has been appreciated by the Craft, and the results will be much better than if I had used the other plan.”

Well deserved is the honor that Missouri received at the Convocation of the General Grand Chapter when M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN was elected General Grand High Priest. This splendid Companion brings credit not only to his own Grand Chapter, but also to Capitular Masonry everywhere. Pennsylvania greets him in honor and praise.

The Grand Chapter of Missouri gave an exemplification of the new ritual for the Royal Arch Degree at the Convocation of the General Grand Chapter, and did it in their usual high excellence. She joins with her sister Jurisdictions in the General Grand Chapter in the somewhat general confusion over the ritualistic changes, and is embarrassed in keeping record of the printed rituals that go to the subordinate Chapters. Pennsylvania is happy in having *unwritten* work, without skeleton, or key, or code. Our throne officers elect, in all subordinate Chapters, must have the degree in head, and not merely in hand, before they are installed; and it works well with us.

This year their Chapters have been grouped in Districts and placed under the direction of a newly

appointed list of Assistant Lecturers, much after the manner of our system of District Deputy Grand High Priests.

Three new Chapters were organized.

This resolution, carried unanimously, will add to the dignity and impressiveness of degree work: “*Resolved*, that smoking be and is hereby prohibited during the conferring of the degrees of the Chapter.” But why not extend it throughout the entire proceedings of the Chapter meeting?

Companion JOHN H. MILLER presented a thoughtful summary in his report as Fraternal Correspondent. Brief, yet to the point, his review is a library of information. His appreciation of Pennsylvania’s One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary is most happy:

“My fingers simply ache to rattle these letters of my typewriter in a description of the history so full of sacred emotions, the banquet so tempting with the best that land, and sea, and field, and orchard, from the East and the West, the North and the South, could furnish, and also the complimentary addresses of the honored guests, each one seeking to surpass his predecessor in eloquent praise and congratulations. It dare not be undertaken.”

Membership 29,732; a net gain of 3918.

M. E. Companion EDMUND E. MORRIS, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion ROBERT F. STEVENSON, Grand Secretary.

E. W. R.



## NEBRASKA, 1921.

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska assembled in its Fifty-fifth Annual Convocation, Omaha, Wednesday, December 14, 1921. A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was opened in *Full Form*, and after it was ascertained that a constitutional number of Chapters were represented, M. E. Companion LEWIS E. SMITH, Grand High Priest, declared Grand Chapter duly open.

The Grand High Priest made this recommendation in his report:

“At the last meeting of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska the law was amended by adding the following paragraph to the list of Masonic offenses:

“‘To apply to any Scottish or York Rite body, or for the degrees therein, or to solicit such a petition from another until after the lapse of one year from the time said petitioner has been made a Master Mason, and shall have attended at least twelve regular meetings of a Master Masons’ Lodge or Lodges, and shall have complied with Section 66 of the Grand Lodge law as to proficiency.’

“As soon as possible after the Grand Lodge meeting, I sent a circular letter to each Chapter, calling attention to the adoption of this law, and asking each Chapter to obey it to the letter.”

Delta Chapter, No. 60, at Omaha, was constituted, and the charter of Joppa Chapter, No. 52, at Loup City, was arrested. However, a petition from the Companions of Joppa promised more interest and better work, and asked for the return of the charter. Grand Chapter granted the request. A number of Chapters were brought “on the carpet,” and were given another year to show increased interest in the work.

The Grand High Priest expressed regret that his visitations were so few and gave an explanation that is unique in Masonic responsibility:

“At the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, last June, I was given the responsibility of guiding the destiny of Ancient Craft Masonry, and the duties of Grand Master have kept me so extremely busy that I have been unable to do more than look after the routine duties of the Grand Chapter, since that time.”

No report on Fraternal Correspondence is published, and we are unable to learn what Nebraska thinks of Capitular doings in other Jurisdictions.

Membership 7566, net increase 676.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM W. METZ, 2d, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion FRANCIS E. WHITE, Grand Secretary.

E. W. R.

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### NEVADA, 1922.

The Forty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nevada convened in the Masonic Temple, at Reno, Tuesday, the thirteenth day of June, 1922. The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* by M. E. Companion HOSEA E. REID, Grand High Priest, with the Grand Officers, with the exception of two, in their stations and places.

The address of the Grand High Priest was well received, as fitting such a splendid review of the year's work. His visitations necessitated the traveling of more than fifteen hundred miles, and reached every Chapter. For their value read his statement:

“These visitations have been a revelation to me, pointing out with great emphasis the real reason for the apathy and non-interest in Capitular Masonry.”

He made this recommendation:

“I would recommend that the incoming Grand High Priest, and annually thereafter that the Grand High Priest elect, be required to subscribe to a pledge to visit, at least once during his year in office, each subordinate Chapter within our Jurisdiction.”

However, the Committee on Jurisprudence report was adopted as follows:

“We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, do not approve of the recommendation that hereafter the Grand High Priest be required to subscribe to a pledge to visit at least once during his term, each subordinate Chapter in the Jurisdiction.

“While we heartily acquiesce in the sentiment embraced in the idea that each Grand High Priest should make such an annual visit, we feel that his interest in the welfare of the Royal Craft will prompt him to do so, if feasible.”

Here is a paragraph that deserves thoughtful reading in every Jurisdiction:

“There is no more shortage of good in the world today than there was in pre-war days, but it is the condition that confronts us. We have patterns enough, we have examples enough, but to re-establish them is, to my mind, the thing which should most concern us now.

“The time is here and now to do something more in Capitular Masonry than the mere building up of its membership, conferring the degrees, and wearing the insignia. This order in particular has been slow to arouse itself to action. Other Masonic bodies are beginning to see the light. Why



not this of ours? The call is urgent, the opportunity for usefulness so numerous, that we should right about and face existing conditions as they are.''

And, so say we all, but to take the ideal over into the individual consciousness is the difficult task.

It is a pleasure to note the presence of Companion DAVID E. WILLIAMSON, the Grand Representative from the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania.

The charter of Saint John Chapter, No. 5, of Eureka, was revoked, and the condition of Keystone Chapter, No. 6, of Pioche, was made a special study for the incoming Grand High Priest. Changes in mining and camp populations compel the ebb and flow of Chapter life.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence was prepared by M. E. Companion EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH, Grand Secretary. Nevada is honored in having such a splendid worker, and his report is great. Pennsylvania comes in for good mention, and shares in the very happy reviews that cover the Capitular world.

Membership 606; net increase 27.

M. E. Companion LOUIS G. CAMPBELL, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion EDWARD D. VANDERLIETH, Grand Secretary.

E. W. R.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1922.

The One Hundred and Third Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Hampshire was held at Concord, Tuesday, May 16, 1922. At 10.30 o'clock A. M., Trinity Royal Arch Chapter, No. 2, of Concord, opened a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons with Companion HENRY E. CHAMBERLIN as High Priest. The Officers of the Grand Chapter entered, and were received by the High Priest of Trinity Chapter.

The Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at eleven o'clock A. M. by M. E. Companion WILLIAM D. CHANDLER, Grand High Priest. Sixteen Grand Officers were present, nine Past Grand High Priests, twenty-eight Representatives of Grand Chapters, and representatives from twenty-one Chapters.

Distinguished guests were present from the Grand Chapters of Ontario, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania. M. W. Brother WALTER G. AFRICA, Grand Master of Masons in New Hampshire, was introduced, as were M. E. Companion J. ALBERT BLAKE, of Boston, General Grand King of the General Grand Chapter, and M. E. Companion HENRY DEW. HAMILTON, of New York, General Grand Scribe of the General Grand Chapter.

The address of the Grand High Priest was excellent. His personal application of Masonry is good advice to Masons everywhere:



“During the year now gone I have learned to love more and revere the beautiful teachings of Royal Arch Masonry, and as I have had developed within me those beauties and aspirations, I have endeavored in my inadequate way to transmit to those of you with whom I have had the pleasure of foregathering in an official and fraternal way, such of these impressions as were expressionable. As one studies the tenets and teachings of our Order the heart and mind overflow with their strength and beauty. To us of inadequate expression, words only are lacking to give utterance to that which has been engraven within—to be effaced only by the inevitable summons to the presence of the Grand Architect of the Universe, who dwells in that higher Temple above.”

The report shows diligent visitations. A ruling was made on the question whether the names of the Committee of Inquiry upon a Brother's petition for the Capitular degrees shall be read or spoken in the open Chapter or placed upon the records. It was ruled “that in no way shall these names become known to the membership at large, but shall be known only by the High Priest, or Acting High Priest, the Secretary, and the Committee itself.”

Pleasure was expressed over the rejection of the proposed revision of the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is presented by Companion CHARLES B. SPOFFORD, and liberal space is given to Pennsylvania in covering the report of our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary. The offer made by our beloved M. E. Companion WILLIAM B. MEREDITH, Past Grand High Priest, in presenting the unwritten work of Pennsylvania as the model for uniformity throughout the



States, is quoted in full. The report is masterly written and holds interest all the way through.

Returns show a membership of 5759, a net increase of 370.

M. E. Companion HALBERT N. BOND was elected Grand High Priest, and M. E. Companion HARRY M. CHENEY was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

E. W. R.

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### NEW JERSEY, 1922.

The Sixty-sixth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Jersey was convened at Trenton, Wednesday, May 10, 1922. All the Grand Officers were present, nine District Deputy Grand High Priests, fifteen Past Grand Officers, and representatives of forty-four of the fifty-one constituent Chapters.

Many distinguished visitors were present, and the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania was represented by M. E. Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Grand High Priest; M. E. Companion JOHN M. CORE, Grand King; M. E. Companion THOMAS McCONNELL, JR., Grand Treasurer, and M. E. Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, Grand Secretary.

M. E. Companion ALBERT LEON, Grand High Priest, read a report that was full of information and encouragement. He stated that the membership had

increased to nearly sixteen thousand, and that the spirit of harmony and enthusiasm was exhibited throughout the Jurisdiction. He was abundant in toil of administration and visitation. His visits carried him to the General Grand Chapter at Asheville, N. C., and to the Grand Chapters of New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

Dispensations for new Chapters were granted to Triangle Chapter, at Dover; Franklin Chapter, at Irvington; Joshua Chapter, at Pitman; Montclair, at Montclair; Joppa Chapter, at Haddonfield.

A spirit of tranquillity is seen in the statement:

“Few important questions requiring decisions have been presented for consideration and solution during the year. All of these have been easily and satisfactorily answered by referring to our rules and regulations.”

The Masonic Service Association of the United States was indorsed most heartily.

Our M. E. Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Grand High Priest, spoke for Pennsylvania, and worthily represented this Grand Jurisdiction. This sentence of his address should be in the living code of every Mason:

“We should not forget that every Royal Arch Mason is a builder; the Masonic Fraternity never tears down, but is always engaged in constructive building in which we all have an individual part.”

The report on Foreign Correspondence is masterly presented. The literary style and freshness delight and the Masonic judgments are well founded and are

conservative. Note is made of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania. The matter of making of Royal Arch Masons at sight by the Grand High Priest in Pennsylvania is still an unsolved enigma in New Jersey, and a full page of arguments on this subject concludes our review. New Jersey is ever active, and whatever she does is done well. If Pennsylvania had choice in the selection of a Grand Chapter for neighbor to our East the selection would be unanimously for the Grand Chapter of New Jersey.

Membership 15,656, a net gain of 2510.

M. E. Companion JONAH S. DAVIDSON was elected Grand High Priest, and M. E. Companion PETER MCGILL was re-elected Grand Secretary. They were installed.

E. W. R.

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### NEW MEXICO, 1922.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New Mexico was held in Albuquerque, February 23, 1922. Sixteen chartered Chapters represented.

The Grand High Priest, J. SMITH LEA, gives a concise report of his work for the year. Among other things we note:

“We have complied with all requests for conferring degrees as a courtesy for other Chapters both in and out of this Grand Jurisdiction, and all



the requests that we have made have been complied with except Pennsylvania, and they informed us that 'the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania does not permit any Chapter in that Jurisdiction to confer degrees upon any one except its own members.' ''

As usual in nearly every State, the ritual is giving trouble, and the action taken at the Convocation in 1920 adopting the General Grand Chapter ritual rescinded, and committee appointed to revise their own ritual.

No correspondence report.

The summary of work for the year shows seventeen Chapters working. Exalted during the year, 223; losses, 73; net gain, 150; present membership, 1717.

M. E. Companion CHARLES C. MANNING, Grand High Priest.

E. Companion ALPHEUS E. KEEN, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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NEW SOUTH WALES, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921.

The Proceedings of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New South Wales for the years 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921 are all dumped on us for review. Well, we welcome this new sister in the family of Grand Jurisdictions, and wish her all the prosperity that her earnest effort to be a Grand Chapter entitles her to.

To properly review the years before us would require us to write a history of that Jurisdiction. The period covers the long controversy between New South Wales and Scotland which finally terminated in the Grand Chapter of New South Wales being recognized as an independent Grand Chapter and the supreme authority in Capitular Masonry in New South Wales.

This Grand Chapter transacts its business at Quarterly Convocations held in February, May, August and November.

The proceedings of the different years before us show a very enthusiastic Grand Chapter. They have come up through adversity and opposition from Scotland, and established a healthy body of Capitular Masons in what seems to us a very remote part of the world.

There are no statistical tables showing membership, nor is there any correspondence report. Maybe after they have been loose from Scotland long enough they will see the advantage of a Correspondence Report as do the different Grand Chapters of Canada.

M. E. Companion A. HALLORAN, Grand First Principal Z.

E. Companion A. J. BURBRIDGE, Grand Scribe E.

J. M. C.

## NEW YORK, 1922.

The One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of New York was held in Albany, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 7 and 8, 1922.

Two hundred fourteen of the two hundred seventeen Chapters represented. The official Representative of Pennsylvania, Companion JOHN B. MULLIN, was unavoidably detained from the meeting. However, Pennsylvania was not entirely unrepresented, as Companion JOSEPH E. QUINBY, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania, accompanied by Companion JOHN M. CORE, Most Excellent Grand King; Companion GEORGE B. WELLS, Most Excellent Grand Secretary; Companion AUGUST P. KUNZIG, Grand Marshal, were all present during the entire meeting, and were the recipients of the fraternal courtesies which the Grand Chapter of New York know so well how to extend. The Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of New York has come to be a sort of a Capitular exchange where the officers from many of the Grand Chapters meet and exchange views with great benefit to all. Other visitors from sister Jurisdictions included M. E. Companion WILLIAM N. PONTON, Grand First Principal of Canada, and R. E. Companion HENRY F. SMITH, Grand Scribe E. of Canada; M. E. Companion ALBERT LEON, Grand High Priest of New Jersey, accompanied by R. E. Companion JOSIAH S. DAVIDSON, Deputy Grand High



Priest; R. E. Companion FRED E. TILDEN, Grand Scribe; M. E. Companion WILLIAM D. CHANDLER, Grand High Priest of New Hampshire, accompanied by Companion HALBERT N. BOND, Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest; Companion EDGAR B. ELLIS, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Connecticut, accompanied by Companion ARTHUR N. NASH, Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest, and Companion WILLIAM O. SHELLEY, Right Excellent Grand Scribe; Companion EDWARD M. WHEELER, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Rhode Island; Companion CURTIS CHIPMAN, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of Massachusetts, accompanied by Companion MARTIN PLESINGER, Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest; Companion ARTHUR TWITCHELL, Right Excellent Grand Scribe, and Companion WALTER BRADLEY TRIPP, Grand Captain of the Host. After welcoming the distinguished visitors the Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address.

The Address sums up the activities of the Grand Chapter for the year in this Empire Jurisdiction. The labor required and performed by the Grand High Priest was simply stupendous. Four new Chapters were constituted, and dispensations issued for two others during the year.

During the year the Grand High Priest visited the Grand Chapters of Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. At the Annual Communication of the Grand Chapter of

Pennsylvania M. E. Companion CHEVALIER delivered a most inspiring patriotic address. The Grand High Priest, besides his many other duties, found time to visit eighteen Chapters officially and some fifty-one informally.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows receipts from Grand Secretary, \$39,851.29; interest on bank deposits, \$855.44; interest on government securities, \$7641.75; cash balance forward, \$23,457.50; total, \$71,785.98; disbursements, \$37,589.91. The investments, etc., show a grand total of \$189,314.11.

The Grand Secretary, M. E. Companion CHARLES C. HUNT, shows: Exalted during the year, 6632; restored, 178; losses, 1504; present membership, 60,793; net increase, 5498. Eight Chapters exalted more than one hundred each during the year.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by M. E. Companion ARTHUR WARREN. He reviews most carefully the different Grand Jurisdictions, selecting from the proceedings those things of interest to Royal Arch Masons wherever they may be. Under Michigan he notes the splendid contribution of Companion CONOVER in his treatise on "Selection and Registration of Marks," but doubts the wisdom of submitting essays on various Masonic subjects for the Report on Foreign Correspondence. We heartily agree with Companion WARREN. Pennsylvania is most fraternally reviewed.

M. E. Companion C. TRACY STAGG, Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion CHARLES C. HUNT, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### NORTH CAROLINA, 1922.

The Seventy-fourth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of North Carolina was held in Winston-Salem, May 9 and 10, 1922.

The Grand High Priest, in his opening address, says:

“We receive distinguished honor and should in turn make personal sacrifices. I am proud to announce that we have made substantial progress this year. Not that I consider numerical increase is the all important accomplishment. We must gather into our York Rite all worthy Masonic Brethren seeking more light, and at the same time must maintain brotherhood and fellowship in our established Chapters. The field in which we are privileged to labor is capable of unlimited development along the activities of education, charity, and personal help, and our opportunities for service are only limited by our willingness. . . .

“We number among our membership the leading citizens of every community, but while this is so, we must admit, if our Lodge and Chapter attendance is investigated, that those members show small interest in our Masonic bodies. Every candidate for degrees should take his steps seriously, with a view of absorbing the lessons as progress is made. He should so live before the world as to reflect credit upon our Order and honor to himself and family, and he should also give his personal services to Masonry. The world must recognize Masonry as an enterprise for public progress and advancement, and not merely a play house to satisfy desires for personal entertainment.”

He made a number of recommendations. That Grand Chapter dues be raised to one dollar per mem-



ber. Approved. That the fee for charters be raised to \$100. Not approved. That the expenses of Grand Officers in making visitations be paid. Approved. That the minimum fee for the degrees be \$50. Not approved (but it should have been). Of dues he says:

“My observation shows that many Chapters are collecting such a small amount of dues that they are not prepared to carry on any charitable work. I therefore recommend that the minimum dues be \$5.00 per year.”

This was not approved by the Finance Committee, but it would have been a good thing if it had.

Three District meetings were held and the greatest enthusiasm manifested.

Under visitations he says:

“I believe that these visits of Grand Officers not only show our interest in the subordinate Chapters, but give them an opportunity for getting out their members. I think it very important that some members of Grand Chapter visit each subordinate Chapter in the State during the year.”

Absolutely correct.

Further he says that he has requested all local Chapters to have their books audited and send a copy of the audit to him. The address as a whole is one of the finest in spirit and helpfulness we have read. This Grand High Priest had his face set to the future, instead of spending his time looking over the road already trod.

Dispensations for five new Chapters were issued.

The Grand Secretary submitted a lengthy report of his work, which seems to embrace that of Grand

Lecturer as well as Grand Secretary. His report shows: Exaltations, 722, with a net gain of 614; present membership, 7121; total number of Chapters, 51.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows: Balance on hand May 5, 1922, \$6478.56; permanent fund, \$7106.05; Special Charity Fund, \$4065.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is (we suppose) by Companion J. EDW. ALLEN. He starts right out with Alabama and winds up with Wisconsin, and never says good morning or good-by. He uses the narrative form almost exclusively, and has really gathered much valuable information. Pennsylvania for 1921 is fraternally noted.

Companion WILLIAM RICHIE SMITH, Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

Companion JOHN B. GRIGGS, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### NORTH DAKOTA, 1922.

The Thirty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of North Dakota was held in the city of Fargo, January 24 and 25, 1922.

All the Chapters but one represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, reports one dispensation to ballot out of time; five dispensations for substituting a candidate in the Royal

Arch Degree. This would not be necessary in Pennsylvania.

He reports the appointment of five District Deputy Grand High Priests and says:

“Excellent results have been obtained in almost every District Convocation and splendid work done for Capitular Masonry. I recommend that this system be made permanent.”

Three new Chapters were constituted.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 296 Exaltations; present membership 4009, a net gain of 165.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by M. E. Companion GUTHRIE. He reviews and culls for the Companions of North Dakota many gems from the current Capitular history, as shown by the different reports. Pennsylvania omitted.

M. E. Companion WALTER H. MURFIN, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion WALTER L. STOCKWELL, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### NOVA SCOTIA, 1922.

The Fifty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nova Scotia was held at Lunenburg, June 13, 1922. Pennsylvania not represented.



The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, pays high compliment to the community of Lunenburg. Evidently they are fishermen of no mean accomplishments.

He decides that a Master Mason can demit from his Lodge without affecting his standing in his Chapter.

Quite a number of dispensations are issued, several of which were to permit Chapters to hold regular meetings at times other than that fixed in their By-laws. We very much doubt the soundness of this practice.

The Grand High Priest, during his term, visited every one of the twenty Chapters in the Jurisdiction, for which he is highly commended.

Fraternal recognition is extended to the Grand Chapters of New Zealand and Western Australia.

The Grand Secretary reports number Exalted, 190; net gain, 115, and present membership, 2586.

The Grand Treasurer reports a cash balance of \$3871.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion BRENTON F. PORTER, Grand Secretary. He says the labor of condensing the proceedings from fifty-eight Jurisdictions, some of them for two years, into the limited space allotted to the Committee's report requires a large amount of

time and labor. Verily he speaketh the words of truth and soberness, as many a correspondent can testify.

Pennsylvania is very fraternally noted. He says that the Grand High Priest usually holds office for two years, "which is a custom we would heartily endorse."

We regret that we cannot lay more of Companion PORTER'S report before our readers, but we must hasten on.

The next Annual Convocation is to be held in the city of St. John's, Newfoundland, at a time to be determined by the Grand Officers. Sometime during the summer of 1923. When we realize that for most of the Companions this means a trip of eight days, then we can appreciate how much the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia thinks of its one Chapter, so far away.

M. E. Companion EDWARD T. CARBONELL, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion BRENTON F. PORTER, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### OHIO, 1921.

The transactions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Ohio, at its One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation, held October 5 and 6, 1921, come to us in a large volume. The

“Transactions” taking up eighty-six pages and other information the balance of over four hundred pages.

The first thing which caught our eye was: “The officers and members of the Grand Chapter assembled at the Miami Hotel and were escorted to the Masonic Temple by Reed Commandery, No. 6, Knights Templar, led by Culbertson’s Band, from the National Soldiers’ Home.” All of which we suppose served its purpose to advertise Freemasonry in Dayton, Ohio. In Pennsylvania it would not be permitted by the Grand Commandery, nor for a moment sanctioned by Grand Chapter.

The Committee on Credentials reported 189 Chapters represented and seven absent. After the report of the Committee on Credentials “the Most Excellent Grand High Priest *declared* the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Ohio opened in *Ample Form* in its One Hundred and Fifth Convocation for the dispatch of such business as may regularly come before it.”

Committees being appointed, Companion JOHN M. SWEITZER takes three pages to tell the Grand Chapter how welcome it is in Dayton, and what a whale of a city Dayton is anyway, and E. Companion MILES S. KUHNS takes two pages to assure the Mayor of the great joy of the Grand Chapter in being permitted to meet in a place so close to Paradise. Then follows another page of welcome from the High Priest of the



local Chapter, after which the Grand High Priest, being assured that he is welcome, delivers his annual address. This is a clear and succinct account of the activities of Grand Chapter for the past year. In his introductory he says:

“There is demand today for careful, painstaking service on the part of every man who has the interests of humanity at heart, and every organization that seeks to elevate mankind by its teachings. Do you as officers in your several Chapters appreciate the opportunities and responsibilities which are yours?”

He reports the death of two Past Grand High Priests, M. E. Companion JAMES WILKINS IREDELL. Companion IREDELL was, at the time of his death, the Representative of Pennsylvania, near the Grand Chapter of Ohio. Companion IREDELL was a Pennsylvanian by birth, having been born at Norristown, Pa., June 17, 1841.

On the subject of Inspection he says: “The system of inspections followed for several years, has proven so satisfactory and beneficial that it may well be considered a fixture in this part of Grand Chapter work.” This is similar to our District Deputy system, which has worked so well in Pennsylvania for many years.

“On the whole the condition of the subordinate Chapters is good. Some few still fail to appreciate that levity has no place in the conferring of the Chapter Degrees.”

Five new Chapters were constituted during the year, and dispensations issued for three new Chapters. One petition for a dispensation for a new Chapter was refused.

A dispensation for a Chapter to march in procession with other civic bodies was refused. Also a dispensation to Cleveland Chapter, No. 148, to confer the degrees in different rooms on the same evening was refused. All of which looks like very sound Masonic law in Pennsylvania.

Among the Grand Representatives recommended was E. Companion WILLIAM H. TATEMAN, of Cincinnati, as the Representative of Pennsylvania near the Grand Chapter of Ohio, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of M. E. Companion IREDELL. They declined to appoint a Grand Representative near the Grand Chapter of Scotland because the General Grand Chapter of the United States is not speaking with the Grand Chapter of Scotland as they pass by.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts during the year of \$47,423.48; expenses, \$42,068.38, with a net total balance carried forward of \$55,673.50.

The Grand Secretary's report is a perpetual wonder to me. It is one of the finest that ever comes to my desk. Of course it is his twenty-third and he ought to know how, but even at that, he puts things in such a way that you can get at the facts at once,

and without a mathematical calculation. For example:

“Number of active Chapters .....	196
Under Dispensation .....	4
Vacant numbers .....	19
Highest number assigned .....	215
Number of members July 31, 1920.....	60,757
Exalted .....	8,178
Admitted .....	423
Reinstated .....	282
	<hr/> 69,640
From which deduct:	
Died .....	649
Withdrawn .....	458
Suspended n. p. d. ....	453
Suspended u. m. c. ....	7
Expelled .....	19
	<hr/> 1,586
Number of members July 31, 1921 .....	<hr/> 68,054

“Net gain during the year 7297, which is 1612 less than last year, but is 3142 more than that of 1919, which was the largest in our history.”

The Masonic Home occupies a large place in Capitular Masonry in Ohio, and its report is most creditable and interesting. The average cost per person, from figures given, was \$559.33. The average number cared for was 217. However, they deduct \$38,501.95 for extraordinary expense before arriving at the \$559.33 per person.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion O. P. SPERRA. He reviews fifty-two Jurisdictions, and in 101 pages gathers many interesting and instructive facts for the Companions of Ohio. Pennsylvania is accorded three pages, and liberal extracts are made from Grand High Priest DAVIS's address.



M. E. Companion FRANK L. BEGGS, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion EDWIN HAGENBUSH, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### OKLAHOMA, 1922.

The Thirty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma was held in Muskogee, April 5, 1922.

The work of the year is reviewed by the Grand High Priest in his annual address. It shows that he has had a very watchful eye over the Jurisdiction during the year. He regrets that some matters interfered with the execution of all the things that he had planned to do during the year. He reports three sick Chapters to which he ministered, and now thinks that they are convalescent. He deplores the failure for two years to settle the ritual question. A number of decisions are reported, one that a Chapter is not an itinerant organization, and could not transact business and confer degrees in a town other than where it was authorized to do work in its charter. A very sound decision. He reports ten visits, aside from his own Chapter, and from the experience gained laments the small attendance at Chapter meetings. Also a failure to follow the ritual. He has also learned what many have before him, that where the ritual was

correctly rendered the attendance was good. He says:

“The Chapter occupies a place in our Masonic system that easily permits inactivity. The Lodge attracts the favorable attention of all good people by the care of the distressed and the burial of deceased Brethren. The Commandery, by costume and public display, enlivens zeal and sustains adherence. The Chapter, living within itself, and doing little but confer degrees, often fails in sustaining interest enough to insure good attendance and good ceremonial work.”

He recommends a paid Lecturer to instruct in the work.

The Grand Treasurer shows a balance of \$21,162.56 besides balances in the war fund, emergency relief fund, triennial fund and educational fund.

The Grand Secretary's report shows 1880 exalted, with a net gain of 1775. Present membership, 11,712.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion WILLIAM NOBLE. It is his fourth, and very brief, but also very good. He does not take kindly to the amalgamation of the Chapter and the Council, in which we heartily agree. We heard that fully discussed in the Grand Chapter of West Virginia, where they are all under one management. The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, showed most conclusively that there should be a separation, but the stand patters would have none of it. He says officers should qualify by being able to confer the degrees. We thought that was always required. It is a part

of their duty, and they cannot fulfill their obligation as officers unless they can confer the degrees.

Pennsylvania for 1920 and 1921 fraternally reviewed. We are sincerely glad Companion NOBLE did not retire, and earnestly hope he may long continue to grace the round table.

M. E. Companion ERNEST LANE WILSON, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion JAMES A. SCOTT, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### OREGON, 1922.

The Sixty-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Oregon was held in Portland, June 12, 1922, Pennsylvania being among those present.

The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, refers to the fact that the General Grand Chapter, at its meeting in Asheville, September, 1921, reaffirmed its former decision declining to grant a charter to the Grand Chapter of Oregon. The General Grand Chapter assured them that since 1860 Oregon had been a Grand Chapter, and so far as the General Grand Chapter is concerned, always will be a Grand Chapter.



The Grand High Priest also reports granting a dispensation to one of the Chapters to move its place of meeting to suit candidates. Bad practice. Four dispensations for new Chapters are reported. He reports that he made some visitations, and says that he ought to have made more, but that circumstances prevented him.

He says:

“I found in visiting different Chapters that all of them do their work a little different. I also found that some of them are using rituals that have not been approved by Grand Chapter. Now I would recommend that this Grand Chapter take some action in regard to using different rituals. It is my idea that this Grand Chapter should issue a ritual of their own, and see that the Chapters use it. In that way the work would be the same throughout the Jurisdiction, and when the Grand High Priest visited the different Chapters he could explain the ritual with some intelligence.”

Why not adopt the ritual of the General Grand Chapter? It would be of more use to you than the charter about which you have been so anxious.

The Grand High Priest reports the total membership at the close of the year as 6237, a net gain for the year of 528. All the Chapters except four showed a net gain during the year. Number exalted, 619.

The financial statement shows receipts, \$5871.27; disbursements, \$3843.77, with a balance on hand of \$1911.28, which, with securities held, amounts to \$23,790.98.

Grand Chapter granted charters to two of the Chapters under dispensation, and continued the other two dispensations for another year.

The Committee on Grand High Priest's address agreed with him that undue levity in conferring degrees in the Chapter was to be deplored, but called his attention to the fact that all power and authority necessary to deal with such matters are vested in the Grand High Priest, and no action by the Grand Chapter is necessary.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion WALTER O. HAINES. In his introduction he says that a study of the proceedings seems to show that the question of rushing candidates from one degree to another, and from one body to another, seems to be attracting the widest consideration, closely followed by the question of collective ballot, with the question of conferring the degrees on large classes a close third. We notice that all these are in the interest of "haste," which seems to be the "Password" of the present generation. The correspondent very justly decries all these things, and voices the sentiment of all thoughtful Masons that degrees should be conferred impressively, correctly and with a sufficient length of time intervening for the candidate to absorb and digest the lessons taught therein.

He reviews sixty-one Jurisdictions. Under the General Grand Chapter, speaking of the severance of the relations with Scotland, he says:

"The General Grand Chapter still maintains that it alone has any Jurisdiction in the Philippine Islands, but we feel that their claim is not valid, as *the General Grand Chapter is not a recognized body outside of the United States.*" (Italics ours.)



Now that is a pretty hot one. And yet they are peeved out in Oregon that this same General Grand Chapter won't give them a charter.

Pennsylvania is fraternally reviewed, and special note made of our One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversary. The opinions expressed by the Foreign Correspondent for Pennsylvania for 1921 are quoted with approval. The whole report of this year from Oregon should be read by every Royal Arch Mason in the States, and then we feel quite sure that they would get together on the ritual, horse play, big classes, and many other matters very easily. The trouble with too many of our Royal Arch Masons (including officers) is that they do not read enough Masonry to have a firm underlying knowledge of the fundamental principles of Free Masonry. It has a genius and philosophy all its own, and well worth any man's thoughtful attention and study. The whole of Freemasonry is not told to the candidate when he receives his degrees, but enough is told to him that by reading and research he can enlarge his knowledge. Nowhere can be better begin than by reading carefully the proceedings of his own Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter.

M. E. Companion FRANK M. PATTERSON, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion JAMES F. ROBINSON, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.



## QUEBEC, 1922.

The Forty-fifth Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Quebec was held in Montreal, March 22, 1922.

The Proceedings which "are ordered to be read in all the Chapters" are before us. We note from them that Pennsylvania was among those present.

The Grand First Principal Z.'s address deals only with matters of interest to the Chapters. He issued two dispensations to open new Chapters. He says that he believes it would be to the interest of Royal Arch Masonry if more Chapters were formed. During the year three new Chapters were instituted. Eleven visitations are reported. The condition of the Craft is excellent. There was an increase during the year of 311 in the membership. Total membership reported, 2769. He recommends among other things the "elimination of the degree of Past Master," which recommendation was approved by the Committee on Grand Z.'s address.

The Committee on Ritual reported progress, and say:

"The P. M. degree has received the careful attention of your Committee, who feel it is a survival of former conditions which do not now exist, and that it is the intention of the Committee to recommend that it be eliminated."

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by that Nestor of the Round Table, Companion E. D. T. CHAMBERS, P. G. Z. It is his thirty-fifth, and what a wealth of Masonic information he lays before the Companions.

He, in common with other reviewers, notes the great rush for "degrees."

After speaking most kindly of Pennsylvania, this ripe Masonic scholar says: "Pennsylvania has been synonymous in this writer's mind for more than forty years with all that is best in Masonic Conservatism." Our hope and aim is that it may always continue to deserve the high encomium. He quotes from M. E. Companion QUINBY's address that part giving the pledge.

In reviewing Pennsylvania for 1921 he says: "To Pennsylvania we are accustomed to look for the best, most scholarly and most conservative correspondence reports for the year, and we are seldom disappointed."

No greater compliment has ever been paid to us. Liberal quotations are made from our report.

M. E. Companion HY WILLIS, Grand Z.

R. E. Companion W. W. WILLIAMSON, Scribe E.

J. M. C.

## SCOTLAND, 1922.

We have three of the pamphlets issued by the Supreme Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland to let the world know what they are doing. These pamphlets cover the Annual Convocation held March 21, when the Grand First Principal Z. was installed and the festival of the Vernal Equinox celebrated. This festival seems to be a real banquet, and Mr. Volstead is not invited to attend. The Grand First Principal Z. makes what corresponds to the annual address of a Grand High Priest in the United States at this banquet. Many toasts are proposed and responded to, and there seems to be a general good time.

At the Annual Convocation the Earl of CASSILLIS was installed First Grand Principal Z. and the other office bearers into their respective stations. This is the tenth installation for the Noble Earl, and he has certainly made them a splendid First Grand Z. His report of visitations might almost rival that of our good friend PONTON, of Canada, but no, no one can rival M. E. Companion PONTON. He is in a class all by himself.

The Grand First Principal refers to the sending of a deputation from Scotland to testify in the case of the People v. Thomas McBlain Thompson, Thomas Perrott, Dominic Berger and Robert Jameson, expelled members of Scotland, who were peddling degrees in the West, and who were indicted in the First



District in Utah. They claimed to be Scottish Masons, and as such entitled to found Lodges, Chapters, Consistories, and the Lord only knows what, and confer the degrees for so much per. The testimony of these Scottish Masons was most important and went far toward securing the conviction of these impostors. It was a most gracious act on the part of our Scottish Brethren, and is very highly appreciated by the Masons of the United States.

The Earl of CASSILLIS also specially commissioned one of the witnesses as his personal representative to see the Grand Officers of the General Grand Chapter and see if the differences could not be satisfactorily arranged. The whole attitude of Scotland in this matter has been dignified and courteous, a thing which we regret to say cannot be said of the General Grand Chapter.

The Earl of CASSILLIS, in replying at the banquet, gave some statistics which I have been unable to find elsewhere. Last year there was 5735 Exaltations; admission to Lodges and Councils, 4672, and admissions to Cryptic Rite, 1575. Twenty-five Royal Arch charters were granted, and twenty-three other charters, making in all forty-eight. The admissions on the whole show a drop of about one-third from previous year, and many of the Chapters have been glad of the opportunity of working the so-called side degrees so as to keep their membership alive and interested. He claims the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland is the largest Masonic body in the world. He reports that

during the year the last remaining mortgage on the property of the Grand Chapter had been paid off, and the Supreme Grand Chapter was entirely free from debt.

He reports the property belonging to the Grand Chapter, together with cash in hand, amounts to twenty-seven thousand seven hundred pounds. Income from all sources during the year, six thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight pounds.

M. E. Companion Earl of CASSILLIS, Grand Z.

M. E. Companion ALFRED A. A. MURRAY, Grand Scribe E.

J. M. C.

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### SOUTH CAROLINA, 1921.

The One Hundred and Tenth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of South Carolina was held in Newberry, April 12, 1921.

After the opening of Grand Chapter and a welcoming address the M. E. Grand High Priest, Companion SAMUEL T. LANAHAN delivered his address. The address breathes the true spirit of Masonry, and was, no doubt, an inspiration to all those who had the privilege of hearing it. He reports harmony throughout the Jurisdiction, but notes that the unprecedented prosperity of the preceding year had come to a sudden halt, owing to the financial stringency.



For purposes of visitation he divided the State into fourteen Districts and assigned a Past Grand High Priest or Grand Officer to visit the Chapters in each District.

Two new Chapters were constituted during the year and a dispensation granted for one new Chapter. A few routine dispensations were granted to install officers and "quite a number of dispensations refused. I find that all of them were requests to shorten the constitutional time for the investigation of petitions and to accelerate the time for conferring degrees. I am strong in the belief that no such dispensation should be granted except in cases where very strong and unusual reasons can be shown." Well said.

The consolidation of Chapters Nos. 1 and 3, in the city of Charleston, is reported. The consolidated Chapter will be known as Carolina Chapter, No. 1.

The Grand High Priest very properly calls attention to the Correspondence report of Companion JAMES L. MICHIE, and commends its reading to the Craft. A recommendation which the writer, who for a number of years has been a diligent reader of Companion MICHIE's report, can most heartily join.

The Grand High Priest reports that he was obliged to decline invitations to Maryland and Pennsylvania to attend their One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Anniversaries. We surely missed you.



The Grand Treasurer reports receipts \$8994.95, with expenses \$9698.46.

The Grand Secretary says: "That it is with great satisfaction he announces that all the Chapters have made their returns and paid their dues."

The report shows 974 Exaltations during the year; 9 affiliations, and 17 reinstated; losses, 152; present membership, 5687. All Chapters but two did work during the year. The largest Chapter has 457 members, the smallest 32.

The following amendment to the By-laws of Grand Chapter was proposed, and unanimous consent for its consideration being refused, laid over until next year:

"That three lunar months must elapse from the date that the Master Mason's degree is conferred upon a candidate before he is eligible to petition any Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the Capitular Degree."

(In Pennsylvania it is six months.)

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by Companion Past High Priest J. L. MICHIE. It is his eleventh, and just as good as his others, which ranks him with the best in the country. He reviews all the Jurisdictions except Montana, whose proceedings did not reach him in time.

Under California he notes that the Grand High Priest opened a Lodge of Mark Master Masons in its hall, then went to a quarry near Los Angeles and conferred the degree on a large class, of which he says:

“You must open a Lodge in its regular meeting place, but you can then go ahead and peddle the degrees wherever you like.” It seems to us that all this is nonsense, and can have but one effect upon the thoughtful, earnest student, and that is “cheapness.” So many people think that unless they do something novel or bizarre they are likely to be overlooked or forgotten. Such should not be entrusted with guiding the fortunes of Freemasonry.

Pennsylvania is fraternally reviewed, and several quotations made from our report. (We note in 1922 that Companion MICHIE wants to know why South Carolina was omitted by us last year. The answer is that the proceedings did not reach the writer until after we had gone to press. Next time we will hold them up until we receive Companion MICHIE’s report.)

M. E. Grand High Priest, Companion EUSTACE P. MILLER.

R. E. Grand Secretary, Companion O. FRANK HART.

J. M. C.

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### SOUTH CAROLINA, 1922.

The One Hundred and Eleventh Grand Convocation of the Most Excellent Royal Arch Chapter of South Carolina was held in Florence, April 11, 1922.

The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, reviews the work of the year. Dispensations for two new

Chapters were granted, and one dispensation for a Chapter recalled. A number of dispensations to elect and install officers were granted, but he says: "I have consistently refused to grant dispensations to shorten the statutory time or permitting the conferring of more than two degrees at one Convocation except in extreme cases."

He decided that a Brother Master Mason who had lost his right hand could not be admitted to receive the Capitular Degrees. "He cannot comply with the requirements of initiation."

He recommends that the compensation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence be increased from \$300 to \$500 per year, saying very justly that the work of the Companion (J. L. MICHIE) was of a very high order. We heartily concur in that statement. In fact, we think that we said that long ago. We are pleased to note that Grand Chapter approved the recommendation.

The Grand Secretary reports 661 Exaltations with a net gain of 536. Present membership, 6223.

The review of the Proceedings (Foreign Correspondence) is by Companion J. L. MICHIE, and, as usual, it is very fine. He says we never said a word about South Carolina in our review in 1920. Well, we don't know how we missed him, but we do know that we are writing a double header this year, and it is our last.



We regret that we cannot lay before our Companions in Pennsylvania much of Companion MICHIE's report, but we are already away behind with our report, and must hurry along.

In bidding good-by, we will say that our happiness will never be complete until Companion MICHIE allows himself to be the guest of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania.

M. E. Companion FRANK O. HART, Grand High Priest.

Companion T. ALEX. HEISE, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### SOUTH DAKOTA, 1922.

The Thirty-third Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of South Dakota was held at Huron, June 15, 1922.

After opening Grand Chapter, M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, was received.

The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, reviews the work of the year. He reports the constitution of three new Chapters and a dispensation granted for one new Chapter. No decisions are reported. He recommends that the ritual adopted by

the General Grand Chapter be referred to a committee for consideration.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows a cash balance of \$9266.

The Grand Secretary's report shows that two Chapters under dispensation have been doing good work and have applied for charters, which he recommends be granted. He further recommends that the By-laws adopted in 1908 be revised.

Number of Chapters chartered, 39; under dispensation, 3; number Exalted during the year, 626; admitted, 90; reinstated, 11; total gain, 727; total loss, 327; net gain, 400; present membership, 6063.

A question was asked of the Grand High Priest which he referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who made the following report:

“The Committee to whom was referred the protest of Lemmon Commandery against the practice of holding Chapter meetings on the Sabbath would respectfully report that such a practice is absolutely opposed to Masonic principles, and should not be tolerated in Capitular Masonry, and we recommend that this be made a part of the written laws of this Grand Chapter.”

Which report was concurred in.

What surprises us is that such a question should have been raised. We, who so often promise “God's holy word to keep” ought never to rob God.

The report on fraternal correspondence is by Companion CHARLES L. BOCKWAY, and is an admirable review of the different Jurisdictions.

In his conclusion he says:

“The dignity and merit of the Chapter Degrees are becoming more appreciated in all Grand Chapters, and sincere and constructive work is everywhere carried on with a view of creating in the minds of the members a clearer conception of what may be done by dignified work in conferring the degrees, and the meaning of the ceremonies.”

M. E. Companion CHARLES N. BONTECOU, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion GEORGE A. PETTIGREW, Grand Secretary.

J. M. C.

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### TENNESSEE, 1922.

The Ninety-third Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Tennessee was held in Freemason's Hall, Nashville, beginning on Monday, January 23, A. D. 1922, at 9 A. M.

All the Grand Officers, thirteen Past Grand High Priests, forty-nine Past High Priests of subordinate Chapters and thirty-five Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions were present. Eighty-two Chapters were represented.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* after prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Chapter was honored by an official visitation of the General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, Companion WILLIAM F. KUHN.



The Most Excellent Grand High Priest then read his address.

After greeting the members and visitors a hearty welcome to the Ninety-third Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee, he reported the death of two Past Grand High Priests.

Eighteen official visits by the Grand High Priest are reported.

In his address he reports there are over one hundred dead Chapters in Tennessee, and that Tennessee is the banner State for dead Chapters. We note also that charters were taken from some seven Chapters for irregularities and other causes. Possibly this will have the effect of bringing some of the dead Chapters to life. Five dispensations were granted to new Chapters.

Instead of the usual exemplification of the Royal Arch Degree the Grand High Priest brought some boys to exemplify the degrees of the Order of DeMolay for Boys.

The financial report shows a substantial balance in the hands of the Treasurer.

Grand Chapter was called off from labor to refreshment.

The degrees of the Order of DeMolay for Boys were exemplified in the evening.

Tuesday, January 24, 1922, Grand Chapter was called on to labor.

Twelve Chapters were reported delinquent.

Committee on Jurisprudence approved all recommendations of the Grand High Priest, especially the one having reference to increasing the fee for new Chapters from \$25 to \$50.

Appropriations include \$600 for scholarship of Widows' and Orphans' Home, \$200 to erect monument in honor of the memory of Past Grand High Priest PHILIP N. MATLACK, deceased, also that the expenses of the boys who exemplified the degrees of the Order of DeMolay for Boys be paid.

The Order of DeMolay for Boys was endorsed by Grand Chapter.

The Proceedings of Pennsylvania for 1920 were reviewed by Companion T. A. HISEY, in which he stated we have no Committee on Jurisprudence. We have such a Committee, but its powers are limited to the interpretation of the Constitution, they having no power over the actions of the Grand High Priest.

M. E. Companion JOHN WETZLER, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion STITH M. CAIN, Grand Secretary.

G. H. B.

## TEXAS, 1921.

The Seventy-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Texas convened in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Waco, Monday, December 5, 1921, at ten o'clock A. M. Was opened in *Ample Form*.

M. E. Companion O. O. CHRISMAN, Grand High Priest. Representatives of one hundred and eight Chapters were present, also twenty-six Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions, Pennsylvania being represented by Companion HUGH RICHARDSON.

The address of the Grand High Priest is very complete, although rather long, some of which we quote:

“I would not deceive you, my dear Companions, as to the real situation of the affairs of this Grand Chapter, by making only a glowing report of the splendid achievements and successful accomplishments during the year, but would also candidly submit the facts found and state that service was sometimes rendered under adverse conditions, and complex circumstances. Yet we must ever remember and continue to bear in mind that a vaccination and the varioloid are not nearly so bad as a case of smallpox, and that every clap of thunder is not a crack of doom, but serves a useful purpose in purifying the surrounding atmosphere and clarifying the general situation.”

Four new Chapters were constituted by the Grand High Priest, and fourteen were constituted by proxies, something we do not have in our Grand Jurisdiction. Five dispensations for new Chapters were also granted.



This seems to indicate that the Grand Chapter of Texas is going forward.

A request for dispensation to install a Scribe-elect who was taking a postgraduate course in Chicago was refused, and we think rightly, for what good can an officer be to a Chapter when he is several hundred miles away and unable to attend his duties?

A decided stand is taken by the Grand High Priest against Masonic work printed in cipher. Would that all other Jurisdictions would take this stand. Pennsylvania never has countenanced it, and never will. Schools for Masonic Instruction make these ciphers not necessary.

The Grand High Priest attended a five-day session of the School of Instruction in the summer. This is quite an innovation, and we think conducive of keeping up the enthusiasm during the time the subordinate Chapters are called off in the summer time.

We quote another paragraph worthy of mention:

“Our laws should be so amended as to automatically suspend a subordinate Chapter which fails to make prompt return, accurate reports or complete remittances as required by law, subject, of course to reinstatement by the Grand Chapter or the Grand High Priest upon the proper showing made.”

This would be a good law, but we are afraid would be hard to enforce.

Collective balloting is advocated. In our Jurisdiction this is not permitted. Each petitioner is balloted

on separately, and we still think this is the only method to preserve secrecy of the ballot and the best interests of Freemasonry.

Finances show good condition; membership to June 24, 1923, being 37,771.

It is gratifying to find the Committee on Jurisprudence and Committee on Grand Officers' reports approve all recommendations and actions of the Grand High Priest.

The Committee on Correspondence is reviewed by Companion WILLIAM JAMES, but Pennsylvania, for some reason or other, is not in his report.

M. E. Companion JOHN A. ATCHISON, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion T. M. BARTLEY, Grand Secretary.

G. H. B.

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### UTAH, 1922.

A Special Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Utah was held on Wednesday, October 26, 1921, at Salt Lake City, Utah, at four P. M., at which time action was taken favorably on the adoption of the ritual of the Royal Arch Degree as exemplified by the General Grand Chapter, but in adopting this ritual they were forced to suspend a portion of their By-laws which conflicted with the ritual.

This is one of the reasons why Pennsylvania is a Jurisdiction unto itself, not permitting the ritual and Constitution to conflict.

The Eleventh Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Utah convened at the Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah, on Wednesday, May 3, 1922, at ten A. M., and was opened in *Ample Form* after a prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

M. E. Companion ROBERT W. FISHER, Grand High Priest presiding.

All Grand Officers present, four Past Grand High Priests and twenty-three Grand Representatives were also present. Six Chapters were represented.

We quote from the address of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest the following:

“I therefore recommend that the By-laws be changed to the effect that no High Priest shall be installed until his ability to accurately give the ritual of the several degrees has been attested by the Grand Lecturer or some one who he may appoint to act for him.”

This is a good move in the right direction, and we feel sure will produce good results.

He speaks especially of the kindness and courtesy shown him by M. E. Grand High Priest DAVID J. DAVIS while on a sojourn to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



It is indeed a pleasure for us in Pennsylvania to entertain Companions from our sister Jurisdictions, especially when they come from such a great distance.

The Tenth Anniversary of the Grand Chapter was celebrated by having a Companion speak in each subordinate Chapter as near the date of the Anniversary as possible.

All Chapters in the Jurisdiction were visited officially except one, which was visited twice unofficially.

All dispensations asked for were granted. We take exception to one—that of granting a dispensation to hold a special Convocation to receive and ballot on petitioners. This is a bad precedent.

Membership and finances are in a healthy condition.

The Proceedings of Pennsylvania for 1920 are reviewed, and we are spoken of in highly flattering words as being “A landmark-keeping Grand Chapter.” This we are proud of.

M. E. Companion WALTER DANIELS, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion HOWARD P. KIRTLEY, Grand Secretary.

G. H. B.

## VERMONT, 1922.

The One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Vermont convened in the City of Burlington, at nine o'clock A. M., on Friday, the sixteenth day of June, 1922.

The Grand Chapter was opened by M. E. Companion CHRISTIE B. CROWELL, Grand High Priest, in *Ample Form*, with the assistance of the Grand Officers.

All the Grand Officers present except three, also seven District Deputy Grand High Priests, twenty-four Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions, Pennsylvania not being represented, and eighty-one representatives of subordinate Chapters.

The Grand High Priest then presented his address, from which we quote the following:

“From time to time authoritative statements couched in the strongest possible language have set forth the fact that election by unanimous ballot cast by the Secretary, pursuant to or in accordance with a *viva voce* vote, is absolutely contrary to the Masonic law in this Jurisdiction, but nevertheless there still seem to be among us those who believe New York and Massachusetts procedure to be equally good in Vermont. I have been greatly surprised to learn that certain Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction have the practice at annual Convocation of not only electing by this method, but of actually nominating Companions for election in this way. It cannot be too strongly emphasized that such practice is absolutely illegal in Vermont Masonry. Independence has always been a striking characteristic of Vermonters, and regardless of the customs which prevail among our Masonic neighbors we have always maintained the inalienable right of every Brother to perfect freedom at all times in the casting of

his ballot, whether for candidate for admission or for election. An election by the above-named method is just as proper in the first case as in the second, regardless of whether or not the result of the ballot may be a foregone conclusion. An illegal election to office honors neither the one chosen nor the Chapter which does the choosing, and I trust that hereafter, no matter how valuable a Companion's service in an office may be, the election in our Vermont Chapters will be conducted with due respect to the law in this Jurisdiction.''

This is really and truly one of the ancient landmarks of Freemasonry, and has always been carried out in Pennsylvania, and we are glad the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Vermont has taken the stand he has.

The Grand Secretary's report shows a total membership of 5628.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows finances in a very healthy condition.

The Correspondence is reviewed by Companion EUGENE S. WESTON, Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest. Pennsylvania Proceedings for 1920 and 1921 are reviewed, most of the space being taken up on criticisms of the authority of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, which we consider in Pennsylvania as supreme.

M. E. Companion GEORGE F. ROOT, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion HENRY H. ROSS, Grand Secretary.

G. H. B.



## VICTORIA, 1920-1921.

Quarterly Convocations of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Freemasons of Victoria were held in Freemason's Hall, Collins Street, Melbourne, on Wednesday, July 21, and October 20, 1920, and January 19 and April 20, 1921.

M. E. Companion W. P. BICE, Grand Z., presided at each Convocation, and Grand Chapter was duly opened in due and Ancient Form.

In one of the Quarterlies we note the following in the Grand Z.'s address:

“Although we have been making a steady advance during recent years our progress and numbers suffer materially by comparison with the Grand Chapters of America. The large number of Master Masons who are content to remain stationary and apparently without the ambition to take either the Mark Master or Royal Arch degrees appears to indicate clearly that Craft Masonry in this territory is not giving the Master Mason anything like the full share of instruction to which he is entitled for the completion, equipment and Masonic education. It should be more often pointed out that his education is not complete without the Mark and Royal Arch degrees.”

He then goes on to say that in the United States of America the percentage of Royal Arch Masons is 27 to 29 per cent. of the Master Masons, while in Victoria only 10 per cent. of the Master Masons are Royal Arch Masons. He then gives a list of the ten largest Grand Chapters in North America.

We in America are not satisfied with this 29 per cent., and think we should have at least 60 to 75 per cent. of the Master Masons as Royal Arch Masons.

There is a beautiful oration in the Proceedings given by M. E. Companion G. E. EMERY, Past Grand Z., at the Consecration of Moorabbin Chapter, which we wish we had the space to print in full. However, we quote the following:

“Now Royal Arch Brotherhood is designed mainly to restore to us the genuine secrets of a Master Mason, but we must not look upon it as merely completing a ceremony or a system—the restoration is a real one; it restores to us just what we want to complete our spiritual education and to place within our reach the perfection of character and life.”

Well spoken, M. E. Companion EMERY. Wish we could all have this lesson impressed on us, and we would be truly better Royal Arch Masons.

There is no report of Committee on Correspondence.

M. E. Companion W. B. BICE, Grand Z.

R. E. Companion G. L. MARQUAND, Grand Scribe E.  
G. H. B.

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### VICTORIA, 1921-1922.

The Supreme Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Freemasons of Victoria held its Convocations quarterly on July 20, 1921, October 19, 1921, January 18, 1922, and April 19, 1922.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM P. BICE, Grand Z., presiding.

In the address of the Most Eminent First Grand Principal he speaks principally of his numerous visits, and emphasizes the desire to have uniform work throughout the Jurisdiction.

A paper on "The Tabernacle and Ark of the Covenant" was presented by V. E. ARTHUR THEWLIS, President of Committee of General Purposes, which is very interesting reading for those interested in Symbolic and Capitular Masonry.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM P. BICE was re-elected First Grand Principal.

R. E. Companion J. E. KENNEDY, G. H., was elected Grand Scribe E. to succeed R. E. Companion G. L. MARQUAND, who desired to retire as Grand Scribe E., having been in office over thirteen years.

G. H. B.

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## VIRGINIA, 1921.

The One Hundred and Fourteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Virginia convened in Masonic Temple, in the City of Richmond, Virginia, Tuesday, October 25, 1921, at 8 o'clock P. M., when, after prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand Royal Arch Chapter was opened in *Solemn Form* by the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Companion E. FENNO HEATH.



All of the Grand Officers were present, forty-nine Chapters were represented, and twenty-eight Grand Representatives from other Jurisdictions.

The Grand High Priest then read his address, some of which we quote:

“The long season of Masonic prosperity has not passed, and I am pleased to report that Capitular Masonry has been benefited to the extent of 1900 exaltations this year, giving us a membership of approximately 13,000. The Secretary’s report will state the exact figures for this our year of greatest gain.”

The recognition of the Grand Chapter of British Columbia is recommended.

He refused a request of one Chapter to confer the Mark Degree on a large class by proxy; also refused to allow degrees to be conferred on a Brother by observation, he being too ill to take part in person.

These requests are quite unusual, and should never even be considered.

We also note several dispensations were granted to hold stated meetings at different dates, one especially to allow officers to attend School of Instruction.

Two new Chapters were granted charters.

Only four visitations were reported, which were made in the immediate vicinity of the Grand High Priest’s Home. He states he had good and sufficient reasons for these few visitations. From further reading of his address we think the Grand High Priest’s reasons were correct.

Reports were received from but five out of nineteen District Deputies on time. This sounds bad for the District Deputies, and calls for some drastic action. The District Deputies are the backbone of the Grand High Priest, and if they do not obey instructions how can they expect the subordinate Chapters to obey?

He also speaks of the failure of subordinate Secretaries to send in their annual reports on time. We think this condition exists in all Jurisdictions, and it is almost impossible to control.

The financial condition is not in the best shape. Like Pennsylvania, their per capita is only fifty cents per member, which is not enough for a small membership.

The report of the Grand Lecturer is very complete, and shows he was on the job every minute.

The Grand Chapter of British Columbia was recognized.

The Correspondence is reviewed by R. E. Jos. W. EGGLESTON, but for some reason Pennsylvania is not reviewed.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM CHAPMAN, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion J. GUS HANKINS Grand Secretary.

G. H. B.

## WEST VIRGINIA, 1921.

The Fifty-first Grand Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Virginia was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Parkersburg, West Virginia, on Monday and Tuesday evenings, the fourteenth and fifteenth days of November, 1921, at 7.30 o'clock.

M. E. Companion WALTER J. BOYDSTON, Grand High Priest.

All Grand Officers, nineteen Past Grand High Priests, forty-five representatives and thirty-nine Grand Representatives from other Grand Jurisdictions were present, Pennsylvania being represented.

Grand Chapter was opened in *Ample Form* at 7.30 P. M., November 14, 1921.

After the usual greeting, the Grand High Priest delivered his address, from which we quote the following:

"I have received but twenty-one reports of inspection to date out of forty-four that should have been made. Where are the other twenty-three?"

"Only eight Deputy Lecturers have so far reported. I wish to thank these Inspectors. Some of these were to the effect that fine work was being done; others were anything but gratifying. They show a lack of interest in many instances. Officers not proficient and a decided tendency to depart from the ritual. This is a serious matter, and should be considered so not only by the Inspectors, but by the Chapters. We do not wish to arrest any of the Chapters in this Grand Jurisdiction, but unless those Chapters who persistently neglect their duties reform, and that quickly, it must and will be done."



Kind of looks as though a housecleaning of Inspectors was in order; then possibly the Chapters would progress better.

The Secretary's report shows a membership over 10,000, while the Treasurer's Report shows a balance of over \$5000.

Grand Chapter was called off until 4 P. M. on the afternoon of November 15, 1921.

After Grand Chapter had convened the election of Officers was held.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM E. KRUPP, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion GEORGE M. FORD, Grand Secretary.

No report of Committee on Correspondence.

G. H. B.

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### WISCONSIN, 1922.

The Seventy-second Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Wisconsin was opened in *Ample Form* in the Royal Arch Degree, in Scottish Rite Cathedral, corner Van Buren and Oneida Streets, in the City of Milwaukee, on Tuesday afternoon, February 21, 1922, at 2 o'clock.

All Grand Officers were present, also eighteen Past Grand High Priests and thirty-seven Grand Repre-

sentatives of other Jurisdictions, Pennsylvania Grand Representative being among those present.

The Grand High Priest presented his address, some of which we quote:

“For many years in the not very remote past Wisconsin Masonry was cold, formal and idle, a field of idle, floating ice. But thanks to ‘that great and Good Being from whom all good things do come,’ there have arisen in Wisconsin some big broad-minded men—men of wide horizon and clear vision who, during the past three or four years, have been consistently preaching the gospel that Masons have other duties to perform than to sit behind locked doors and closed window blinds and confer degrees. The work of these splendid apostles of this new movement is seen and felt throughout this great State. The seeds they have sown have budded, blossomed and brought forth fruit to enrich and bless the Craft everywhere. The work they have done and are still doing will live long after they are laid away in their little narrow beds.”

Three pages are devoted to the fraternal dead of other Jurisdictions.

Two edicts are mentioned as follows:

“Exclusion from a Lodge for non-payment of dues does not bar a Companion from enjoying the privilege of the Chapter.”

“Voluntary non-affiliation in the Lodge for one year shall exclude a Royal Arch Mason from his membership in the Chapter after due notice either personally or by mail has been served upon him to show cause why he should not be excluded. Such exclusion shall cease upon affiliation in a Lodge.”

The Grand High Priest calls attention to the fact that these two edicts conflict and should be changed. We agree with him. In Pennsylvania non-affiliation in the Blue Lodge is cause for automatic suspension in the Chapter.

Five new Chapters were granted dispensations and five constituted during the year.

Collective balloting is being permitted with the sanction of the Grand High Priest. This we consider is entirely wrong, and do not permit it in our Jurisdiction. All petitioners are balloted for separately.

Fraternal relations with Scotland were declined, on the ground that Scotland was trespassing on the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter in the Philippine Islands, but this was not approved by the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

Financial and numerical strength of the Grand Chapter is exceptionally good.

Twenty-one pages are devoted to a report of a Special Committee to Investigate the Order of DeMolay for Boys, and \$1500 is appropriated in favor of this movement. This report is most complete, and is well worth reading in its entirety.

The Proceedings for Pennsylvania for 1920 are reviewed by Companion SAMUEL WRIGHT.

M. E. Companion WILLIAM F. OWEN, Grand High Priest.

R. E. Companion WILLIAM W. PERRY, Grand Secretary.

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## THE GRAND HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF PENNSYLVANIA, 1922.

YEAR	FIRST GRAND CHIEF	SECOND GRAND CHIEF	THIRD GRAND CHIEF	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1795	William Ball	Praise Wadman	John Service	Daniel McKarraher	P. LeBarbier Duplessis
1796	William M. Smith	"	Thomas Town	"	"
1797	Jonathan B. Smith	"	"	"	"
1798	"	"	"	"	"
1799	"	"	"	"	"
1800	"	"	"	"	"
1801	"	"	"	"	"
1802	"	"	"	"	"
1803	Israel Israel	Jonathan B. Smith	"	"	"
1804	"	"	"	"	"
1805	"	"	"	"	"
1806	James Milnor	"	Frederick Wolbert	Thomas Amies	"
1807	"	"	John Phillips	"	"
1808	"	"	"	"	Thomas Passmore
1809	"	"	"	"	"
1810	"	"	Frederick Erringer	"	A. H. Cohen
1811	"	"	"	"	Andrew M. Prevost
1812	"	"	"	"	"
1813	"	Frederick Erringer	Walter Kerr	"	"
1814	Richard Tybout	"	B. Jones, Jr.	"	"
1815	Samuel F. Bradford	"	"	"	"
1816	Walter Kerr	"	James McAlpin	"	George E. Blake
1817	"	"	"	"	George A. Baker
1818	Bayse Newcomb	James McAlpin	Lambert Keatting	"	"
1819	"	Lambert Keatting	William McCorkle	"	"
1820	"	William McCorkle	Alphonso C. Ireland	"	"
1821	"	"	Nathan R. Potts	"	"
1822	Josiah Randall	Nathan R. Potts	Henry Horn	Frederick Erringer	"
1823	"	"	"	"	"
1824	Michael Nisbet	Henry Horn	Elhanen W. Keyser	"	Nathan R. Potts

YEAR	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND KING	GRAND SCRIBE	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1825	Michael Nisbet	John Steele, Jr.	Tristram B. Freeman	Frederick Erringer	Nathan R. Potts
1826	John Steele, Jr.	Tristram B. Freeman	Joseph S. Riley	"	"
1827	Tristram B. Freeman	Joseph S. Riley	John M. Read	"	Samuel H. Thomas
1828	Joseph S. Riley	John M. Read	Samuel H. Perkins	"	"
1829	John M. Read	Samuel H. Perkins	Thomas Kittera	Joseph S. Riley	"
1830	"	"	Enos S. Gandy	"	"
1831	"	"	"	"	"
1832	Samuel H. Perkins	Enos S. Gandy	John Y. Black	"	"
1833	"	"	"	"	"
1834	Enos S. Gandy	John Y. Black	Joseph R. Chandler	"	John M. Read
1835	John Y. Black	Joseph R. Chandler	Francis Cooper	"	Samuel H. Perkins
1836	Joseph R. Chandler	Francis Cooper	George S. Schott	"	"
1837	"	"	"	Charles Stout	Samuel M. Stewart
1838	"	"	"	"	"
1839	"	"	"	"	"
1840	"	Alexander Diamond	George Smith	"	Bayse Newcomb
1841	Alexander Diamond	George Smith	William Whitney	"	Michael Nisbet
1842	"	William Whitney	William Barger	"	"
1843	William Whitney	William Barger	John G. Russell	John Thomson	William H. Adams
1844	"	"	John W. McGrath	"	"
1845	William Barger	John W. McGrath	John J. Krider	"	"
1846	"	"	James Simpson	"	"
1847	John W. McGrath	John J. Krider	"	"	"
1848	John J. Krider	James Simpson	David C. Skerrett	"	"
1849	James Simpson	David C. Skerrett	Edward P. Lescure	"	"
1850	David C. Skerrett	Edward P. Lescure	Ant. Bournonville	"	"
1851	"	"	"	"	"
1852	Edward P. Lescure	Ant. Bournonville	Robert Frazer	"	"
1853	"	"	"	"	"
1854	Ant. Bournonville	Harman Baugh	Robert McCulloch	"	"
1855	Harman Baugh	John C. Smith	Daniel Thompson	"	"
1856	"	"	"	"	"
1857	John C. Smith	Daniel Thompson	Jere. L. Hutchinson	"	"

YEAR	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND KING	GRAND SCRIBE	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1858	Daniel Thompson	Benjamin Parke	Harman Yerkes	John Thomson	William H. Adams
1859	"	"	"	"	"
1860	Benjamin Parke	Harman Yerkes	Jere. L. Hutchinson	"	"
1861	Harman Yerkes	Jere. L. Hutchinson	George W. Wood	Peter Williamson	"
1862	Jere. L. Hutchinson	George W. Wood	Samuel C. Perkins	"	"
1863	"	"	"	"	"
1864	George W. Wood	Samuel C. Perkins	George Griscom	"	"
1865	"	"	"	"	"
1866	Samuel C. Perkins	George Griscom	Michael Nisbet	"	"
1867	"	"	"	"	"
1868	George Griscom	Michael Nisbet	Charles E. Meyer	"	John Thomson
1869	"	"	"	"	"
1870	Michael Nisbet	Charles E. Meyer	John Wilson, Jr.	"	"
1871	"	"	"	"	"
1872	Charles E. Meyer	John Wilson, Jr.	Andrew Robeno, Jr.	Thomas Brown	"
1873	"	"	"	"	"
1874	Andrew Robeno, Jr.	Robert H. Pattison	George E. Wagner	Thomas R. Patton	"
1875	"	"	"	"	"
1876	George E. Wagner	Alfred R. Potter	Wm. C. Hamilton	"	"
1877	Alfred R. Potter	William C. Hamilton	Hibbert P. John	"	"
1878	"	"	"	"	"
1879	William C. Hamilton	Hibbert P. John	Augustus R. Hall	"	"
1880	"	"	"	"	"
1881	Hibbert P. John	Augustus R. Hall	G. W. Kendrick, Jr.	"	Charles E. Meyer
1882	"	"	"	"	"
1883	Augustus R. Hall	G. W. Kendrick, Jr.	Matt's H. Henderson	"	"
1884	"	"	"	"	"
1885	G. W. Kendrick, Jr.	Matt's H. Henderson	James S. Barber	"	"
1886	"	"	"	"	"
1887	Matt's H. Henderson	James S. Barber	Alex. H. Morgan	"	"
1888	"	"	"	"	"
1889	James S. Barber	Alex. H. Morgan	Edgar A. Tennis	"	"
1890	"	"	"	"	"



YEAR	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND KING	GRAND SCRIBE	GRAND TREASURER	GRAND SECRETARY
1891	Alex. H. Morgan	Edgar A. Tennis	Ezra S. Bartlett	Thomas R. Patton	Charles E. Meyer
1892	"	"	"	"	"
1893	Edgar A. Tennis	Ezra S. Bartlett	Richard M. Johnson	"	Charles Cary
1894	"	"	"	"	"
1895	Ezra S. Bartlett	Richard M. Johnson	Michael W. Jacobs	"	"
1896	"	"	"	"	"
1897	Richard M. Johnson	Michael W. Jacobs	Edward B. Spencer	"	"
1898	"	"	"	"	"
1899	Michael W. Jacobs	Edward B. Spencer	H. Oscar Kline	"	"
1900	"	"	"	"	"
1901	Edward B. Spencer	H. Oscar Kline	J. Henry Williams	"	"
1902	"	"	"	"	"
1903	H. Oscar Kline	J. Henry Williams	William B. Meredith	"	"
1904	"	"	"	"	"
1905	J. Henry Williams	William B. Meredith	Carl A. Sundstrom	"	"
1906	"	"	"	"	"
1907	William B. Meredith	Carl A. Sundstrom	A. G. Criswell Smith	Edward B. Spencer	"
1908	"	"	"	"	"
1909	Carl A. Sundstrom	A. G. Criswell Smith	George B. Wells	"	"
1910	"	"	"	"	"
1911	A. G. Criswell Smith	George B. Wells	Winfield S. Bell	"	"
1912	"	"	"	"	"
1913	George B. Wells	Winfield S. Bell	Samuel Laughlin	"	"
1914	"	"	"	"	Stockton Bates
1915	Porter W. Lowry	Thomas McConnell, Jr.	David J. Davis	"	"
1916	"	"	"	"	George B. Wells
1917	Thomas McConnell, Jr.	David J. Davis	Joseph E. Quinby	"	"
1918	"	"	"	"	"
1919	David J. Davis	Joseph E. Quinby	John M. Core	Thomas McConnell, Jr.	"
1920	"	"	"	"	"
1921	Joseph E. Quinby	John M. Core	George P. Darrow	"	"
1922	"	"	"	"	"

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ITS CHAPTERS, PLACE AND TIME OF MEETING, AND SECRETARIES.

No.	NAME	CONSTITUTED IN	PLACE OF MEETING	TIME OF MEETING	NAME AND ADDRESS OF SECRETARY
3	Jerusalem .....	1758	Philadelphia .....	Third Monday .....	Charles S. Wood, Philadelphia
21	Perseverance .....	1827	Harrisburg .....	First Monday .....	N. Frank Matter, Harrisburg
43		1826	Lancaster .....	Third Thursday .....	Milton E. Gingrich, Lancaster
52	Harmony .....	1794	Philadelphia .....	First Friday .....	Robert J. Spratt, Philadelphia
91	Columbia .....	1822	Philadelphia .....	Third Wednesday .....	Theodore C. Knight, Philadelphia
150	Washington .....	1827	Washington .....	First Thursday .....	Wm. Bowland Ritchie, Washington
152	Reading .....	1827	Reading .....	Second Monday .....	Edward W. Roderick, Reading
159	Schuylkill .....	1838	Minersville .....	Third Thursday .....	Robert H. Gilgore, Minersville
161	Union .....	1845	Towanda .....	Second Wednesday .....	John W. Coddington, Towanda
162	Zerubabel .....	1836	Pittsburgh .....	First Tuesday .....	Samuel R. Caskey, Pittsburgh
163	La Fayette .....	1848	Lock Haven .....	Third Thursday .....	John R. Stevenson, Lock Haven
164	Brownsville .....	1849	Brownsville .....	Second Tuesday .....	William S. Conwell, Brownsville
165	Union .....	1849	Uniontown .....	Second Thursday .....	Luke H. Frasher, Uniontown
166	Mt. Moriah .....	1849	Holidaysburg .....	Third Tuesday .....	William Brenneman, Holidaysburg
167	Eureka .....	1849	Rochester .....	Second Friday .....	James W. Doncaster, Rochester
169	Philadelphia .....	1850	Philadelphia .....	Second Wednesday .....	John M. Zook, Philadelphia
170	Delta .....	1851	New Castle .....	First Tuesday .....	Harry L. Dunlap, New Castle
171	St. John's .....	1852	Carlisle .....	First Thursday .....	Thomas M. Sener, Carlisle
172	Temple .....	1853	Tunkhannock .....	Second Monday .....	Fred M. Brown, Tunkhannock
173	Easton .....	1853	Easton .....	Second Thursday .....	Edward B. Arndt, Easton
174	Northumberland ..	1853	Sunbury .....	Third Tuesday .....	Charles W. Clement, Sunbury
175	Keystone .....	1853	Philadelphia .....	Fourth Monday .....	Allen C. Middleton, Philadelphia
176	George Washington	1854	Chambersburg ..	Third Monday .....	Arthur W. Gillan, Chambersburg
177	Tamaqua .....	1854	Tamaqua .....	First Friday .....	Alex. L. Oliver, Tamaqua
178	Catawissa .....	1855	Catawissa .....	Second Wednesday .....	Luther B. Kline, Catawissa
179	Eureka .....	1855	Carbondale .....	Second Wednesday .....	Horace G. Likely, Carbondale
180	Warren .....	1854	Montrose .....	Wednesday after full moon ..	Freeman I. Lott, Montrose
181	Lilly .....	1855	Mauch Chunk .....	Third Tuesday .....	J. Martin Ross, Mauch Chunk



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182	Shekinah .....	1856	Wilkes-Barre .....	Third Monday .....	Allan C. Brooks, Wilkes-Barre
183	Oriental .....	1856	Philadelphia .....	Third Thursday .....	George J. Schaefer, Philadelphia
185	Lackawanna .....	1856	Scranton .....	Second Tuesday .....	Jacob A. Frantz, Scranton
186	Lewistown .....	1856	Lewistown .....	Third Tuesday .....	Joseph S. Waream, Lewistown
187	Oriental .....	1856	Conneautville .....	Third Friday .....	Frank T. Young, Conneautville
189	Mountain .....	1858	Altoona .....	First Thursday .....	Joseph M. Howe, Altoona
190	Norristown .....	1858	Norristown .....	Second Monday .....	H. Walton Wood, Norristown
191	Solomon .....	1858	Meadville .....	Second Tuesday .....	Walter C. Green, Meadville
192	Urania .....	1859	Greensburg .....	Thursday after third Tuesday..	Weber A. Arter, Greensburg
193	Duquesne .....	1859	Pittsburgh .....	Second Friday .....	Harry J. Weimar, Pittsburgh
194	Tioga .....	1859	Wellsboro .....	Second Tuesday .....	Henry E. Raesly, Wellsboro
195	Portage .....	1859	Johnstown .....	Third Tuesday .....	Willis A. G. Lape, Johnstown
196	Mountain City ..	1859	Pottsville .....	Second Monday .....	Harry E. Greager, Pottsville
197	Weidle .....	1860	Lebanon .....	Second Tuesday .....	William Winfred Walter, Lebanon
198	Phoenix .....	1861	Phoenixville .....	Second Saturday .....	Edwin H. McAllister, Phoenixville
199	Howell .....	1864	York .....	Second Wed. after first Monday	William H. Blouse, York
200	Columbus .....	1865	Corry .....	Second Tuesday .....	Perrie G. Wood, Corry
201	Standing Stone ..	1865	Huntingdon .....	Third Monday .....	William L. Johnston, Huntingdon
202	Howell .....	1866	West Chester .....	Second Monday .....	John A. Baker, Pocopson
203	Allen .....	1866	Allentown .....	First Monday .....	Guy H. Gensemer, Allentown
204	Anthony Wayne ..	1866	Honesdale .....	Second Thursday .....	Edward A. Lindsay, Honesdale
205	Factoryville .....	1866	Factoryville .....	Second Wednesday .....	Fred M. Francis, Dalton
206	Harmony .....	1866	Beaver Falls .....	First Thursday .....	Harry F. Hawkins, Beaver Falls
207	Aaron .....	1866	Titusville .....	Third Friday .....	Victor Bucher, Pleasantville
208	Germanatown .....	1866	Germanatown, Phila.	Third Monday .....	E. R. Stevens, Germanatown, Phila.
209	Samuel C. Perkins	1866	Mechanicsburg ..	Second Monday .....	Samuel E. Basehore, Mechanicsburg
210	Great Bend .....	1866	Great Bend .....	Second Thursday .....	Frederic C. Day, Hallstead
211	Venango .....	1866	Franklin .....	Second Friday .....	F. Chester Moyer, Franklin
212	Mound .....	1866	Greenville .....	Fourth Monday .....	Frank D. Pressler, Greenville
214	Valley .....	1867	Plymouth .....	Fourth Friday .....	Arthur Davenport, Dorranceton
215	Temple .....	1867	Erie .....	Second Friday .....	Justin P. Slocum, Erie
216	Zinzendorf .....	1867	Bethlehem .....	Second Tuesday .....	James R. Schmid, Bethlehem



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217	Allegheny .....	1868	Pittsburgh, N. S.	First Friday .....	Harvey P. Wylie, Pittsburgh
218	Bloomsburg .....	1868	Bloomsburg .....	First Thursday .....	Albert Rhodomoy, Bloomsburg
219	Griscom .....	1868	Ashland .....	Third Thursday .....	Augustus B. Schadel, Ashland
220	Fort Washington..	1868	Fort Washington..	Fourth Thursday .....	John K. Earnest, Ambler
221	Tremont .....	1869	Tremont .....	First Wednesday .....	Henry H. Otto, Tremont
222	Lycoming .....	1869	Williamsport .....	Second Tuesday .....	Wm. Clarence King, Williamsport
223	Oxford .....	1869	Oxford .....	Second Wednesday .....	Alfred M. Wilson, Oxford
224	Corinthian .....	1869	Columbia .....	Second Tuesday .....	Luther J. Schroeder, Columbia
225	Jefferson .....	1869	Brookville .....	Third Tuesday .....	William A. Kelly, Brookville
226	Siloam .....	1869	Frankford, Phila..	Third Wednesday .....	Frank W. G. Mitchell, Phila.
227	Emporium .....	1870	Emporium .....	Third Tuesday .....	James L. Summerson, Emporium
228	Clearfield .....	1870	Clearfield .....	Third Friday .....	Frank Urey, Clearfield
230	Elk .....	1870	Ridgway .....	Third Tuesday .....	William Patterson, Ridgway
232	St. John .....	1871	Philadelphia .....	First Tuesday .....	Robert A. Smith, Philadelphia
233	Kensington .....	1871	Philadelphia .....	Fourth Wednesday .....	Harry H. Brown, Philadelphia
234	Media .....	1871	Media .....	Fourth Monday .....	J. Harrison Campbell, Media
235	Occidental .....	1871	Warren .....	Second Monday .....	Harry F. Cogswell, Warren
236	Oil City .....	1871	Oil City .....	First Monday .....	Wm. L. Koch, Oil City
237	Excelsior .....	1871	Reading .....	Second Friday .....	William F. Kinch, Reading
238	Newport .....	1872	Newport .....	First Monday .....	Joshua S. Whitmore, Newport
239	Danville .....	1872	Danville .....	First Monday .....	Bruce A. McCracken, Danville
240	Palestine .....	1872	Philadelphia .....	Second Friday .....	Henry S. Hazlett, Philadelphia
241	Bellefonte .....	1872	Bellefonte .....	First Friday .....	William B. Rankin, Bellefonte
242	Pittston .....	1873	Pittston .....	Second Thursday .....	Louis P. Bierly, Pittston
243	T. B. Freeman ..	1873	Philadelphia .....	First Tuesday .....	Charles C. Judd, Philadelphia
244	Norman .....	1873	Sharon .....	Second Friday .....	George H. Allen, Sharon
245	Abington .....	1873	Jenkintown .....	Fourth Tuesday .....	John C. Fithian, Jenkintown
246	Warrior Run ...	1874	Watsonstown .....	Second Tuesday .....	Earl W. Trick, Watsonstown
247	Orient .....	1874	Kittanning .....	Second Monday .....	William E. McGarvey, Kittanning
248	Temple .....	1874	Philadelphia .....	Third Tuesday .....	William H. Ziegler, Philadelphia
249	Monongahela .....	1874	Monongahela .....	Third Thursday .....	Thomas C. Farquhar, Monongahela
250	Corinthian .....	1874	Philadelphia .....	First Monday .....	Samuel Sigler, Philadelphia

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251	Signet .....	1874	Philadelphia .....	Fourth Friday .....	Charles W. Kaiser, Philadelphia
252	Mizpah .....	1875	Mahanoy City ...	Second Thursday .....	Edward F. Snyder, Mahanoy City
254	Arnold .....	1877	Port Allegany ...	Second Tuesday .....	J. William Johnson, Wrights
255	Bedford .....	1876	Bedford .....	Third Thursday .....	Daniel W. Beam, Bedford
256	University .....	1877	Philadelphia .....	Fourth Monday .....	J. Milton Lutz, Up. Darby Br., Phila
257	Shiloh .....	1877	Pittsburgh .....	Third Monday .....	George W. Robitzer, Wilkinsburg
258	Chester .....	1877	Chester .....	Second Tuesday .....	Wesley R. Morgan, Chester
259	Eden .....	1878	Clarion .....	Second Tuesday .....	Samuel F. Brush, Clarion
260	Bradford .....	1880	Bradford .....	Third Thursday .....	Joseph A. Grow, Bradford
261	Troy .....	1882	Troy .....	First Tuesday .....	Benj. S. Greene, Troy, Bradford Co.
262	Montgomery .....	1882	Ardmore .....	Third Thursday .....	Clarence H. Handwork, Haverford
263	Coudersport .....	1882	Coudersport .....	First Wednesday .....	Harry W. Nelson, Coudersport
264	Shamokin .....	1883	Shamokin .....	Second Wednesday .....	Frank B. Fisler, Shamokin
265	Westfield .....	1883	Westfield .....	Third Monday .....	Charles L. Gridley, Westfield
266	Good Samaritan ..	1886	Gettysburg .....	Third Thursday .....	Charles W. Myers, Gettysburg
267	Coatesville .....	1887	Coatesville .....	Third Thursday .....	William H. Brown, Coatesville
268	Pittsburgh .....	1888	Pittsburgh .....	Second Monday .....	Archie K. Henderson, Pittsburgh
269	Ulysses .....	1888	Ulysses .....	Second Friday .....	Homer K. Lane, Ulysses
270	Doylestown .....	1889	Doylestown .....	Second Tuesday .....	Fred 'k Constantine, Doylestown
271	Pottstown .....	1890	Pottstown .....	Third Tuesday .....	Timothy Shive, Pottstown
272	Hebron .....	1890	Meyersdale .....	Second Monday .....	Martin A. Rutter, Meyersdale
273	Butler .....	1891	Butler .....	Third Tuesday .....	William H. Miller, Butler
274	Bangor .....	1891	Bangor .....	Third Wednesday .....	Robert S. Wagner, Bangor
275	Kennett .....	1892	Kennett Square ..	First Tuesday .....	James F. Mackereth, Mendenhall
276	The Susquehanna ..	1892	Susquehanna ...	Second Friday .....	Ira H. Spencer, Susquehanna
277	Hazleton .....	1893	Hazleton .....	Third Monday .....	Ambrose W. Mason, Hazleton
278	Catasauqua .....	1894	Catasauqua .....	Second Monday .....	John S. Matchette, Catasauqua
279	Kane .....	1895	Kane .....	Third Wednesday .....	Frederick Kime, Kane
280	Cyrus .....	1898	Carnegie .....	Third Thursday .....	Jesse I. Penney, Ingram
281	Monroe .....	1898	Stroudsburg .....	Second Friday .....	Benjamin F. Morey, Stroudsburg
282	McKeesport .....	1899	McKeesport .....	Second Thursday .....	Scott M. Stewart, McKeesport
283	Connellsville .....	1900	Connellsville .....	Third Tuesday .....	Sam 'l G. Zimmerman, Connellsville



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284	Melita .....	1903	Philadelphia .....	Second Monday .....	Samuel Shaw, Lansdale
285	Wilkinsburg .....	1904	Wilkinsburg .....	Second Friday .....	Frank H. Letterman, Wilkinsburg
286	Bellevue .....	1904	Bellevue .....	Second Friday .....	Howard W. Elverson, Bellevue
287	Nanticoke .....	1908	Nanticoke .....	Second Friday .....	Alfred E. Chapin, Nanticoke
288	Mizpeh .....	1908	Pittsburgh, N. S. .....	Second Tuesday .....	George R. Elwell, Pittsburgh, N. S.
289	Valley .....	1908	Wilmerding .....	Second Friday .....	John T. Small, Wilmerding
290	Monessen .....	1908	Monessen .....	Second Tuesday .....	Andrew Ebenhoch, Monessen
291	Ezra .....	1909	South Bethlehem .....	First Friday .....	Frank P. Martenis, S. Bethlehem
292	Slatington .....	1909	Slatington .....	Third Monday .....	Peter N. Snyder, Slatington
293	Amity .....	1910	Athens .....	Second Friday .....	George D. Bonfoey, Sayre
294	Darius .....	1911	McDonald .....	Third Tuesday .....	Matthew Cochran, McDonald
295	Siegfried .....	1913	Northampton .....	Third Tuesday .....	George P. Stem, Northampton
296	Zebulun .....	1913	Blossburg .....	Second Wednesday .....	James Roy Bonney, Blossburg
297	Homewood .....	1913	Pittsburgh .....	Second Thursday .....	William C. Beckett, Pittsburgh
298	Milton .....	1914	Milton .....	Second Friday .....	Harry A. Eberhart, Milton
299	Bellefield .....	1915	Pittsburgh .....	Third Tuesday .....	Charles L. Hannan, Pittsburgh
300	Coraopolis .....	1915	Coraopolis .....	Third Monday .....	W. Elmer Cain, Coraopolis
301	Lansdale .....	1915	Lansdale .....	Third Monday .....	Leroy K. Tyson, Lansdale
302	Jordan .....	1916	Allentown .....	First Tuesday .....	Preston J. Everett, Allentown
303	Braddock's Field..	1917	Braddock .....	First Monday .....	John H. Whitfield, Braddock
304	Yorktown .....	1917	York .....	Second Thursday after 1st Mon.	Harry K. Weiser, York
305	St. Clair .....	1920	Dormont .....	Second Thursday .....	Willard A. Laning, Pittsburgh
306	Homestead .....	1920	Homestead .....	Second Thursday .....	Samuel L. Himes, Homestead Park
307	Apollo .....	1920	Philadelphia .....	First Friday .....	George W. Ebert, Philadelphia
308	Ivanhoe .....	1921	Philadelphia .....	Third Thursday .....	Harry S. Gingrich, Philadelphia

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214	Girard .....	1847	Philadelphia .....	Second Tuesday .....	William G. Speier, Philadelphia
216	Excelsior .....	1854	Philadelphia .....	Third Tuesday .....	Peter H. Brower, Philadelphia



## STATISTICS

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1922.

No.	NAME	MARKED	ADM.	DIED	RES.	SUS.	MEMB.
3	Jerusalem	75	2	25	5	8	1196
21	Perseverance	33	4	5	..	1	618
43		9	4	9	..	3	448
52	Harmony	45	9	37	5	3	1357
91	Columbia	167	7	21	9	9	1619
150	Washington	78	5	1	1	..	439
152	Reading	11	5	9	1	..	277
159	Schuylkill	3	..	1	1	..	56
161	Union	8	4	7	..	..	233
162	Zerubbabel	65	5	21	..	2	1398
163	La Fayette	18	1	6	..	1	340
164	Brownsville	14	7	3	1	..	232
165	Union	16	1	5	..	..	287
166	Mount Moriah	6	..	4	..	..	133
167	Eureka	12	..	4	..	..	318
169	Philadelphia	13	..	5	3	3	283
170	Delta	10	1	7	1	3	430
171	St. John's	17	..	..	..	..	189
172	Temple	4	..	2	..	..	152
173	Easton	59	1	14	2	5	530
174	Northumberland	8	..	1	1	..	245
175	Keystone	59	3	10	7	9	1035
176	George Washington	6	2	1	..	..	197
177	Tamaqua	4	..	2	..	..	131
178	Catawissa	4	1	1	..	..	87
179	Eureka	16	..	3	2	7	275
180	Warren	11	..	1	..	..	92
181	Lilly	16	..	4	..	..	220
182	Shekinah	91	2	8	..	1	722
183	Oriental	79	4	37	3	2	1799
185	Lackawanna	128	10	11	..	1	817
186	Lewistown	8	..	4	..	..	158
187	Oriental	2	..	1	2	1	124
189	Mountain	39	2	11	..	1	598

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190	Norristown	20	1	11	2	1	568
191	Solomon	18	1	1	..	..	221
192	Urania	43	1	7	..	2	464
193	Duquesne	31	1	16	1	6	1009
194	Tioga	6	..	..	..	1	117
195	Portage	51	..	2	3	..	588
196	Mountain City	13	..	3	..	1	213
197	Weidle	4	..	3	1	2	284
198	Phoenix	9	..	7	..	2	289
199	Howell	20	..	4	3	..	395
200	Columbus	5	1	4	..	..	110
201	Standing Stone	4	..	5	..	..	133
202	Howell	15	2	2	3	..	275
203	Allen	24	2	9	..	..	729
204	Anthony Wayne	14	..	1	..	..	192
205	Factoryville	13	2	1	1	..	110
206	Harmony	18	..	4	..	..	303
207	Aaron	26	1	3	1	..	109
208	Germantown	42	4	6	3	1	643
209	Samuel C. Perkins	1	..	1	1	..	87
210	Great Bend	2	..	1	2	..	51
211	Venango	22	8	6	..	..	301
212	Mound	6	2	4	2	9	246
214	Valley	16	1	1	1	..	111
215	Temple	21	3	10	2	5	562
216	Zinzendorf	36	1	3	2	..	243
217	Allegheny	29	..	15	2	1	919
218	Bloomsburg	10	..	5	2	8	146
219	Griscom	5	..	2	..	..	163
220	Fort Washington	16	..	1	..	..	122
221	Tremont	4	1	..	..	..	85
222	Lycoming	89	..	8	2	1	748
223	Oxford	20	2	2	..	..	152
224	Corinthian	6	..	3	..	..	182
225	Jefferson	12	1	6	..	1	338
226	Siloam	42	..	10	2	3	621
227	Emporium	1	..	1	..	..	112
228	Clearfield	16	5	3	1	11	360
230	Elk	24	1	2	3	2	262
232	St. John	34	1	13	5	23	624
233	Kensington	21	2	19	3	10	684
234	Media	9	..	4	1	2	199

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235	Occidental	9	1	3	1	..	237
236	Oil City	10	..	2	..	..	300
237	Excelsior	55	5	7	..	..	583
238	Newport	8	..	..	..	..	104
239	Danville	8	..	3	1	..	120
240	Palestine	60	5	12	4	9	916
241	Bellefonte	29	1	2	1	..	186
242	Pittston	19	1	3	..	5	371
243	T. B. Freeman	72	1	19	..	..	1055
244	Norman	16	1	5	2	..	346
245	Abington	26	3	4	1	3	241
246	Warrior Run	6	1	2	1	..	205
247	Orient	8	..	6	..	..	347
248	Temple	34	5	5	3	1	475
249	Monongahela	11	1	1	2	1	324
250	Corinthian	28	..	4	2	2	481
251	Signet	52	3	10	3	1	500
252	Mizpah	6	..	3	..	..	138
254	Arnold	4	..	1	..	..	57
255	Bedford	14	1	6	..	..	120
256	University	99	11	21	15	30	2311
257	Shiloh	27	3	11	1	3	693
258	Chester	11	1	7	..	7	501
259	Eden	5	1	7	..	..	197
260	Bradford	13	4	7	2	4	286
261	Troy	6	..	5	..	..	114
262	Montgomery	50	3	10	1	7	469
263	Coudersport	2	..	1	..	..	82
264	Shamokin	10	..	3	..	..	267
265	Westfield	3	..	1	..	..	72
266	Good Samaritan	22	1	2	..	..	245
267	Coatesville	13	..	5	1	8	310
268	Pittsburgh	48	1	8	3	..	736
269	Ulysses	4	2	1	..	..	62
270	Doylestown	26	..	3	..	..	232
271	Pottstown	31	1	5	..	..	340
272	Hebron	6	..	4	..	1	139
273	Butler	28	..	3	..	4	398
274	Bangor	14	1	4	..	..	136
275	Kennett	31	..	3	..	5	146
276	Susquehanna	4	..	1	..	..	90
277	Hazleton	10	..	4	..	..	271



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278	Catasauqua	12	..	..	..	..	182
279	Kane	5	..	..	..	..	134
280	Cyrus	55	2	10	4	4	596
281	Monroe	18	3	2	..	..	189
282	McKeesport	32	1	6	1	..	864
283	Connellsville	20	1	4	2	..	268
284	Melita	130	4	8	4	..	1149
285	Wilkinsburg	40	5	5	5	11	563
286	Bellevue	20	..	2	2	2	418
287	Nanticoke	5	..	..	..	..	45
288	Mizpeh	19	..	4	..	..	319
289	Valley	10	..	..	..	1	243
290	Monessen	11	..	4	..	7	285
291	Ezra	11	..	2	..	..	214
292	Slatington	16	..	..	..	..	119
293	Amity	18	..	1	..	..	213
294	Darius	10	..	1	14	..	140
295	Siegfried	9	..	3	..	..	161
296	Zebulun	8	..	1	..	..	88
297	Homewood	38	1	1	..	3	418
298	Milton	8	..	4	1	..	138
299	Bellefield	31	1	4	1	6	322
300	Coraopolis	10	2	1	..	..	163
301	Lansdale	14	..	1	..	..	173
302	Jordan	31	1	2	1	..	312
303	Braddock's Field	8	..	..	..	..	136
304	Yorktown	94	..	..	..	..	570
305	St. Clair,	37	..	1	..	..	246
306	Homestead	12	..	4	..	..	161
307	Apollo	33	2	2	1	..	230
308	Ivanhoe	29	5	..	..	..	93
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